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LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION

"Thou shalt teach men ordinance and laws, and shall show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work they must do; moreover, thou shalt provide out of all the people, able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness, and place them to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, and rulers of tens.—
"EXODUS, c. xviii, vs. 20, 21.

GENERAL DECLARATION.

At all times nothing can be more natural, and at this time nothing can be more reasonable, than that those who have common rights to protect, and common interests to defend, should act together and know each other. It is by division that the benevolent object of true patriots are frustrated, and their best and noblest efforts for the public good defeated. In these distant but important appendages of our Great Empire, it must be obvious to every loyal and reflecting mind, that a union of intelligence, an increase of means, and a knowledge of each other, are essential.

The LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION is formed by persons desirous of supporting, to the utmost of their power, the principles and practices of the CHRISTIAN RELIGION, to maintain the Laws and Constitution of the Country, afford assistance to distressed Members of the Order, and otherwise promote such laudable and benevolent purposes as may tend to the due ordering of Religion and Christian Charity, and the supremacy of LAW, ORDER AND CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOM.

Its members associate in honor of King William III, Prince of Orange, whose name they bear, and whose immortal memory they hold in reverence, tending, as he did, under Divine Providence, to the overthrow of the most oppressive bigotry, and the restoration of pure Religion and Liberty.

They revere the memory of that Immortal Prince, not only as a Patriot, a Constitutional Monarch, and a Hero, but as a true Christian; and hope in the adoption of his name, to emulate his virtues, by maintaining RELIGION without persecution, or trenching upon the rights of any.

The Orange Society lays no claim to exclusive Loyalty, or exclusive Protestantism; but it admits no man within its pale whose principles are not Loyal, and whose creed is not Protestant.

Disclaiming an intolerant spirit, the Society demands as an indispensable qualification without which the greatest and the wealthiest may seek admission in vain, that the candidate shall be deemed incapable of persecuting or injuring any one on account of his religious opinions; the duty of every Orangeman being to aid and defend all *loyal subjects*, of every religious persuasion, in the enjoyment of their constitutional rights.

The Rules of the Society are open not only to the members of the Institution, but to the whole community; there is no reserve, except the signs and symbols whereby Orangemen know each other; and these mysteries are essential to the proper qualification of the Brotherhood, the recognition of the members, and the prevention of intrusion and imposture from strangers and enemies. The Association is general, not confined to any particular place, person or nation, but extends itself wherever a Loyal Protestant Briton is to be found, to the remotest corners of the globe, for the establishment of Protestant Faith and British Liberty to the latest ages of posterity. Its whole Institution is one neighbourhood, within which every Orangeman is at home, in the farthest parts of the world; and such is the mechanism of the Association, that while its operations are thus extended, its every movement is alike felt and answered in every part.

In short, the Orange Constitution, like a glorious moral luminary, is intended to pour its refulgence, not on one part only of the ample circumference of the British Dominions, but simultaneously on every portion, equally enlightening the whole periphery.

The Institution in these Provinces, can never be suppressed, but by means which would subvert the Constitution, and annihilate the connection with the Mother Country.

In many quarters, where the true nature of the Orange Institution is not properly known, its designs and objects have by some been misunderstood, and by others misrepresented. From the name it bears—being connected in every one's mind with the history of parties in Ireland, some are apt to suppose that its sphere is necessarily confined to that country; not reflecting that an instrument which has been chiefly used there to suppress Rebellion, repeal Invasion, and secure Domestic Tranquility, may be found equally efficacious to loyal men of all countries, in protecting their lives, liberties and properties. The Society is constituted upon the broadest principles of National Freedom. *It takes its stand upon the glorious principles of the Revolution of 1688*; it lays its foundation in the field of British Liberty, it disdains the badge of Faction, and knows no emblem save "*The Altar and the Throne.*"

As the Prince of Orange was invited to England by a coalition of parties, who united from a common sense of their sacred duty, to preserve their Religion and Liberties, so the Orange Society, named after that Immortal Prince, invites a similar combination, and calls upon the sons of Britain, to lay aside political feuds, and like their illustrious ancestors, who signed and sealed the great Covenant of Freedom, to sacrifice every private consideration, and establish a Centralization of power to conserve the great blessings and privileges which we enjoy under British connexion upon such a basis, as will enable every limb and fibre to receive vitality and nourishment from the parent stem.

QUALIFICATIONS ESSENTIAL FOR MEMBER

He should have a sincere love and veneration for his Almighty Maker, productive of those lively and happy fruits—righteousness and obedience to His commands; a firm and steadfast faith in the Saviour of the world, convinced that He is the only Mediator between a sinful creature and an offended Creator. His disposition should be humane and compassionate, and his behaviour kind and conciliatory; he should be an enemy to savage brutality and every species of unchristian conduct; a lover of rational and improving society: faithfully regarding the Protestant Religion, and sincerely desirous of propagating its precepts (*i. e.*) charity and good will to all men. Zealous in promoting the honor, happiness and prosperity of his Queen and Country; heartily desirous of success in those pursuits, yet convinced that God alone can grant them. He should have a hatred of cursing and swearing, and of taking the name of God in vain; he should use all opportunities of discouraging them among his Brethren, and shun the society of all persons addicted to these shameful practices. Prudence should guide all his actions; temperance, sobriety and honesty direct his conduct; and the laudable objects of the Association be the motives of his endeavours.

CONSTITUTION AND LAWS,
OF THE
LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION
OF BRITISH AMERICA.

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1. The title of the Society is "The Loyal Orange Association of British America."

2. There is one Grand Lodge ; its title shall be "The Grand Orange Lodge of British America."

3. There are Provincial Grand Lodges, having jurisdiction, territorial, and otherwise, as hereinafter set forth.

4. Each Province into which British America is now or may hereafter be subdivided for the purpose of civil government, excepting the Province of Ontario, which shall be divided into two Provinces for the purposes of this section, shall constitute the territorial limits of each Provincial Grand Lodge ; provided always that no Warrant shall issue for the opening of a Provincial Grand Lodge unless there shall be at least seven Private Lodges working within such Province ; and provided further, that until seven Warrants shall have been issued and are working in any Province, the Lodges in such Province shall be under the direct control and management of the Grand Lodge.

5. All Warrants for the holding of Private Lodges shall be granted by each Provincial Grand Lodge within its jurisdiction, but such Warrants must be signed by the Grand Master.

6. In every County, there may be a County Lodge, but the Provincial Grand Lodge having jurisdiction, may divide such County into two or more County Lodges.

7. Each Orange County Lodge may establish within its territory, District Lodges; provided that not less than three Private Lodges shall be necessary to constitute a District Lodge.

8. The Grand Lodge shall be composed of its own officers: all Past Grand Masters of good standing in the Order; Grand Officers of Provincial Grand Lodges; all Past Provincial Grand Masters of good standing in the Order; Past Senior Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries, Grand Treasurers, and Grand Directors of Ceremonies, of the Grand Lodge; and all Past Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Chaplains, Grand Secretaries, Grand Treasurers, Grand Lecturers, and Grand Directors of Ceremonies, of Provincial Grand Lodges, who shall have held their respective offices for five consecutive years, and being in good standing in the Order; also the Grand Master of the Orange Young Britons, provided he is in good standing in some Private Orange Lodge, and has the required Degrees, and not over twenty-five years of age, County Masters, and District Masters, and in the absence of a County or District Master, or when either sits and votes in any other capacity, the Deputy Master, or Proxy duly appointed in open Lodge, who must be a member of such Lodge, may sit and vote as a representative of the County or District.

9. The Grand Lodge is the sole depository and Guardian of the symbols and mysteries of the whole Order; and the source of supreme legislation for the good government, uniformity and general management of the Association and the final arbiter in all matters of dispute.

10. No change, alteration, addition, or omission, shall be made in the Annual Password, or in the Signs, Symbols, Lectures, Passwords, Mysteries, or Forms of Introduction, except by the Grand Lodge.

11. No change or alteration shall be made in the Constitution and Laws of the Order, except by a two thirds vote of the Grand Lodge at its annual meeting, nor unless notice thereof shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting; and no change or alteration shall be considered by the

Grand Lodge until after such proposed change or alteration shall have been submitted in writing, and reported upon by the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

12. The Grand Lodge shall meet on the first Tuesday in the month of June, in every year, except as hereinafter provided, at such place as shall be fixed upon at the next preceding annual meeting, and elect for the year : a Grand Master and Sovereign ; a Deputy Grand Master ; a Grand Chaplain ; a Grand Secretary ; a Grand Treasurer ; a Grand Lecturer, and a Grand Director of Ceremonies ; one Deputy Grand Secretary ; one Deputy Grand Treasurer ; a Deputy Grand Lecturer for each of the Provinces of the Dominion, and not more than ten Deputy Grand Chaplains. All of the said officers shall, by virtue of such office, be members of the Grand Lodge, and entitled to sit and vote therein, so long as they shall hold office, and until their successors shall be appointed and sworn into office ; and thence until the end of the then present session.

13. No Brother shall be eligible for election to any office in the Grand Lodge, unless he is entitled to sit and vote in the Grand Lodge at the time that he is proposed for office.

14. The Grand Master and Sovereign, at each session of the Grand Lodge, shall appoint an Inside and an Outside Tyler. The remuneration of the Inside Tyler shall not exceed two dollars per day, and that of the Outside Tyler, three dollars per day.

15. Every Provincial Grand Master shall, by virtue of his office, be a Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge.

16. The Grand Master and Sovereign may call a special or emergency meeting of the Grand Lodge, but no business except that for which such special or emergency meeting shall have been called, shall be transacted thereat ; and may also call the annual meeting at an earlier, or postpone it to a later day than that fixed by section 12 of this constitution, in which case notice must be mailed to the members of the Grand Lodge at least two weeks previous to the day for holding such meeting.

17. ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS—FIRST DAY :

1. Opening of the Grand Lodge in the Royal Scarlet Degree.

2. Appointing a Committee of five Brethren, to draft the Standing Committees of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, who shall report to the Grand Lodge at as early a period as possible.
3. Repeating the Royal Scarlet Lecture.
4. Business connected with the Royal Scarlet Degree.
5. Reduction to the Orange Degree.
6. The Grand Master's Address.
7. Reading Annual Reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.
8. Appointments of Standing Committees, each of which shall consist of five members, except where otherwise provided, viz :
 - I. Credentials.
 - II. Correspondence.
 - III. Finance.
 - IV. Auditing.
 - V. Suspensions and Expulsions.
 - VI. Appeals.
 - VII. Constitution and Laws.
9. Reception of Petitions.
10. Referring Petitions and Reports.
11. Notices of Motion.
12. Reception and adoption of first Report of Committee on Credentials.
13. Unfinished Business.
14. General Business.

18. ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS—SECOND DAY :

1. Reading and adoption of preceding day's Minutes.
2. Reception and adoption of Reports of Standing Committees.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Selection of next place of Meeting.
5. Unfinished Business.
6. General Business.
7. Raising the Lodge to the Scarlet Degree, and closing in due form.

[In case of the Grand Lodge continuing its sittings beyond the second day, the same Order of Business, as provided for the second day's sitting shall be observed so far as practicable.]

19. Before a final adjournment takes place, the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the day upon which such final adjournment takes place, shall be read for approval.

20. The Grand Lodge shall meet on the first day of the session at 2 o'clock p. m., and on every subsequent day at 9 o'clock a. m., except otherwise ordered by the Grand Master ; and it shall rise at 1 and 6, p. m. respectively on each day of the session ; and resume business at half-past 2, and half-past 7, p. m. respectively.

21. The Grand Master shall summon a meeting of the Grand Lodge at all times, when required by a requisition signed by any five Grand Officers, or by any twelve members of the Grand Lodge, stating the object for which such meeting is required ; and for all such meetings of the Grand Lodge at least two weeks notice must be given.

22. When the Grand Lodge is not in session, the affairs of the Institution shall be directed by the Grand Master and Sovereign, who is the head, whose designation shall be "Most Worshipful." Whenever his judgment may be given, it shall be given in writing, and must be acted upon until reversed by the Grand Lodge.

23. In case of a vacancy in the office of Grand Master by death or resignation, or a temporary vacancy by absence from British America, or any other cause, the office, with all its powers, shall be filled by a Deputy Grand Master, in the following order :—First, by the Deputy Grand Master, and then by the next Grand Officer in the order of precedence.

24. All Committees shall be appointed by the Grand Lodge, except the Auditing Committee, and Committee on the Constitution and Laws, which Committees shall be appointed by the Grand Master.

25. The Annual shall be adopted at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, by a Committee of not more than three, to be nominated by the Grand Master ; and when adopted, the Committee shall report it to the Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to communicate the same to the Provincial Grand Masters present, who shall communicate, or cause it to be communicated to the County Masters within their Provinces ; the County Masters to District Masters, and District Masters

to Masters of Private Lodges not in arrears for dues ; provided always, that in case of the absence of any Provincial Grand Master, or other Provincial Grand Officer, the Grand Master shall communicate or cause the Annual to be communicated to the County or District Masters of such Province as may be then present

26. Masters of Lodges shall be *ex-officio* members of all Committees of the Lodge over which they preside.

27. In all cases where pains and penalties are inflicted according to the Constitution, either party shall have the right of appeal to the next highest Lodge, and so on to The Grand Lodge.

28. In all cases when a brother is pronounced guilty of any charge, he shall, if not present, be notified of such finding provided it be practicable to do so.

29. All judgments shall be final unless appealed from within two months.

30. Upon the trial of any brother, the evidence shall be taken down in full.

31. All appeals must be made in writing to the Master of the next highest Lodge, within two months after conviction, stating the grounds of appeal, and a copy of such notice of appeal shall be given, by the brother appealing, to the Secretary of the Lodge whose decision is appealed from, whose duty it shall be to transmit, without delay, a full report of the evidence had and adduced on the hearing of such case, to the Secretary of the Lodge appealed to.

32. All Lodges shall make an annual return to the District, County, or Provincial Grand Lodge within whose jurisdiction they are, as hereinafter provided, according to the form adopted by the Grand Lodge, which will be found in the Appendix to this Book of Regulations.

33. All Lodges, when working, shall be guarded by an Inside and Outside Tyler.

34. Each Lodge shall pay not less than two dollars annually to the Provincial Grand Lodge, and in no case shall receive the Annual until this Regulation is complied with. Any County or District Officer failing to transmit Grand Lodge dues to the proper officer appointed to receive the same, when such shall have been entrusted to him, or any brother failing

to deliver money of the Order entrusted to him, shall be brought to trial, and dealt with as the Lodge may decide.

35. Isolated Lodges—that is, such Lodges as by reason of distance, or any other circumstance cannot be conveniently attached to any particular District—are to communicate directly with the Provincial Grand Master of the Province in which such Lodge is working, and under his orders, to attach themselves to such District or County as he may direct.

36 Expulsion shall take place for the following offences ;—
For maliciously destroying or taking away the property of the Association.

For educating his child in any Roman Catholic School, Nunnery, or Monastery, except where no Protestant School exists

For any felony or conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction.

For marrying a Roman Catholic or Papist.

For living in a state of adultery or fornication.

37 Suspension or expulsion may take place for the following offences :—

Violation of Obligation.

Violation of the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

For following any unlawful or immoral practice for a living.

38. Any member who shall utter, print, publish or circulate, or who shall cause to be printed, published or circulated, or be privy to the printing, publishing or circulating of any matter or thing derogatory to the Association, or the character of any of its officers, or any member divulging or communicating any matter, proceeding or thing, or the substance or meaning of any matter, proceeding or thing, had or transpired, in open Lodge, to any person not being an actual member in attendance on some Lodge of the Association, under warrant, whether the facts transpired, or the business transacted were in his presence so transacted or transpired, or whether communicated to him by a brother, or who shall publish or cause to be published any proceedings of the Lodge without the sanction of the Lodge or the Grand Master, given in writing, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his obligation, and shall be expelled, or otherwise dealt with as the majority of the Lodge shall determine.

39. Any brother who shall be deemed guilty of any publication in violation of the next preceding section, shall be summoned before the Grand Lodge, and suspended, expelled, or dealt with in any other way that the Grand Lodge may deem meet. In all cases where a brother shall be summoned, he shall receive at least one month's notice from the Grand Secretary that a charge will be preferred against him, setting forth such charge in writing, and notifying him to be present to answer the same, and in case he fails to appear, the charge shall be investigated in the same manner as if he were present.

40. Application for Warrants or renewal of Warrants must be sent through the District Master, (who shall recommend the same before forwarding it, through the County Master and Provincial Grand Secretary to the Grand Secretary.

41. The fee for a new Warrant shall be \$6, and for a renewed Warrant \$2, which fees must accompany all applications. Said fees to be equally divided between The Grand Lodge, and Provincial Grand Lodge, in whose jurisdiction such application is made.

42. Every application for a new Warrant shall be made by at least six members, who shall set forth in their application the name of the brother who is to be made the Master, who shall have received the first four Degrees, and also the place where the said Lodge is to be held ; provided always that no brother joining in such application shall be in actual connection with any Lodge.

43. Any Master or Brother in charge of a Warrant, who shall lend or use the same for opening or holding any other Private Lodge than the one for which said Warrant was issued, or who shall give a copy or duplicate of the same, and which copy or duplicate shall be used by any individual, whether a member of the Order or not, for the opening or holding of any Lodge, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his trust, and shall be suspended or expelled. And any brother acting under a Warrant so lent, or a copy or duplicate so given, shall likewise be suspended or expelled ; and no Lodge or Orangeman shall acknowledge any individual thus surreptitiously initiated, and any officer giving the Annual to any of the offending parties, or to any of the surreptitiously introduced members shall be considered equally guilty, and shall be suspended or expelled, the County Officers to institute process,

and the County Lodge to examine into the case or cases, and report the same fully to the first meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge; County Masters shall have the power to summon Orangemen to give evidence.

44. There shall be Books of Forms and Rituals, with appropriate Charges published by the Grand Lodge, and no other forms shall be used but such as are contained in them.

45. Two copies each of such Books of Forms and Rituals shall be kept in the Lodge Room of each Lodge.

46. No decoration shall be worn in any Lodge, as appertaining to any Order, except the wearer be strictly entitled thereto.

47. Every Brother shall appear in Lodge in appropriate Regalia, and no Brother shall be permitted to address the Lodge or take any part in the proceedings unless so clothed.

48. Every Brother when he enters a Lodge at work, shall advance to the centre and salute the chair, by giving the proper sign of the Degree at work.

49. The forms of Certificates, and Summonses as given in the schedule hereunto affixed, and none other, shall be the forms used by the Association.

50. There are five Degrees in the Order of Orangeism: Orange, Purple, Blue, Royal Arch Mark, and Royal Scarlet, which shall be conferred only in an open Lodge; the first four of which shall be conferred only under an Orange Warrant, and the fifth under the authority of a Royal Scarlet Dispensation.

51. Any dispute arising between Private Lodges shall be referred to the District Lodge, if both be in the same District; but, if not, then to the County Lodge; if not within the same County, to the Provincial Grand Lodge; and if both be not under the jurisdiction of the same Provincial Grand Lodge, such dispute shall be referred to the Grand Lodge for adjustment, its awards in such disputes being final.

52. No officer of the Association shall be tried for any offence done in his official capacity, in any Lodge subordinate to the Lodge of which he is such officer.

53. No officer of the Association shall be allowed to vote in any Lodge, except he be a member of some Private Lodge.

not in arrears for Grand Lodge dues, or which has not made its returns.

54. No meeting of the Grand Lodge shall be held except at least twelve companions of the Royal Scarlet Order be present thereat.

55. Visitors, being members of the Order, may be admitted to meetings of the Grand Lodge, or Provincial Grand Lodge, with the approbation of the officer presiding.

56. Any Brother giving any of the Degrees, or part thereof, unless fully and duly authorized to give them, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his obligation, and shall be dealt with accordingly.

57. Three months shall elapse between the conferring of each Degree, except where otherwise provided, and in no instance shall it be lawful to give any Degree out of rotation, subject to expulsion of the Brother who shall violate this Rule.

58. Every Lodge shall have power to make laws for its own internal government, not inconsistent with the Rules or Constitution of any superior Lodge.

59. At all meetings of the Grand Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodges, County Lodges, and District Lodges, before an adjournment, it shall be determined by a vote in the said Lodges, where the next meeting shall be held.

60. The Grand Master and Sovereign shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the Grand Lodge; if absent the Deputy Grand Master shall preside; if both are absent the Senior Provincial Grand Master present, shall preside; if all are absent the Brethren present shall elect one of their number to preside; the Brother presiding in the absence of the Grand Master, shall have all the power and authority of the Grand Master and Sovereign while so presiding.

61. The Grand Master shall have power to confer, or authorize the conferring of the Degrees, but always in due rotation, without waiting for the lapse of the usual probationary time, but the Brethren upon whom the Degrees are thus conferred shall be attached to some Lodge meeting under Warrant. An entry of the authority upon which the Degree was so conferred shall be made in the Initiation or Degree Book of the Lodge to which such member or members belong.

62. The duties of the Deputy Master shall be to occupy the Deputy Chair when the Master is present, and in the absence of the Master he shall have all the power and privileges vested in the Master.

63. The Chaplain shall conduct the religious services of the Lodge, unless otherwise directed by the Lodge.

64. The Secretary shall be the custodian of the Great Seals, Warrants, Warrant Plate, Registers, Rituals, Books, Papers, Correspondence, and other property of the Grand Lodge. He shall attend all meetings of the Lodge, and keep a correct record of its proceedings, conduct its correspondence, attend to the preparation of Warrants and dispensations upon application duly made, distribute to the several Provincial Grand Secretaries, the Rituals, Forms, Annual Reports, and other printed matter of The Grand Lodge; prepare for the use of the Committee on Credentials at the annual meeting of The Grand Lodge, an alphabetical list of the members of the Grand Lodge, with the office or position held by each, and present to The Grand Lodge, at each annual meeting a report of the state and progress of the Association.

65. The Secretary of the Grand Lodge shall prepare a return of all the officers in the Association that he has received, that would, if properly qualified, be entitled to vote in the Grand Lodge, with the number of their Lodge, and the District and County to which each officer belongs, for the guidance of the Committee on credentials.

66. The Grand Master and all the Grand Officers shall be *ex-officio* members of all Lodges they may visit, and entitled to exercise all the rights of members, except in the distribution of the Lodge funds, the election of officers and the establishing or amending the By-Laws of the Lodge.

67. The preceding section shall apply to Provincial Grand Lodges, and officers of such Provincial Grand Lodges shall have the like powers, and be *ex-officio* members of every Lodge within the jurisdiction of such Provincial Grand Lodge.

68. The funds of the Association shall be lodged in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and that officer shall produce his books at every annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, when the same shall be examined and audited by two auditors, appointed by the Grand Master for such purpose. He shall

furnish sureties, to be approved by the Grand Master, and no money shall be paid out by him except in pursuance of a recommendation from the Financial Committee, and a vote of the Grand Lodge, or on the written order of the Grand Master.

69. It shall be the Grand Lecturer's duty to visit every Provincial Grand Lodge when ordered by the Grand Master, and give Lectures of the different Degrees ; and for that duty he shall be paid his expenses by the Provincial Grand Lodge requiring his services.

70. It shall be the duty of the Grand Director of Ceremonies to attend all meetings of the Grand Lodge, and all meetings specially presided over by the Grand Master, when the Ensign or Standard of the Grand Lodge may be displayed, so as to indicate the presence of the Grand Lodge. He shall have charge of all that relates to processions, and public ceremonials. He shall marshal and arrange all Lodges, Orders, and Degrees of the Association according to law and usage, and take charge generally of all matters which may relate to the proper order of Lodges, the station and precedence of officers and members, and the dress and insignia to be worn by them. He shall, when required by the Grand Master, proceed in advance to the place where the Grand Lodge is to be held, and make such arrangements as may be necessary for the holding of such Grand Lodge.

71. The duties of the Deputy Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Treasurer, and Deputy Grand Lecturers shall be to aid and assist the heads of their respective departments, and shall strictly obey all such instructions as they may receive from them.

72. The Outside Tyler shall guard the entrance to the Lodge from the outside, and allow no one to pass until properly tested ; he shall, after being satisfied that the applicant seeking admission is entitled to enter, give the proper alarm to the Inside Tyler, and under no circumstances shall the Outside Tyler open the door of the Lodge.

73. The Tyler shall post himself at the door of the Lodge, inside. On hearing an alarm from the Outside Tyler, he shall answer the same ; and, at the proper time, open the door and ascertain the cause of the alarm ; but under no circumstances shall he open the door during the opening or closing services

of the Lodge, or during the delivery of any Lectures or the taking of a vote after the question has been put by the Chair.

74. These duties shall apply to, and be the guide of all Lodges, so far as they can be applied.

DUTIES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

75. The duties of the Standing Committees shall be as follows :—

Auditing.—To investigate and audit the Treasurer's books and accounts, and all financial statements, which may be referred and reported to the Lodge.

Credentials.—To examine all credentials, and report from time to time to the Lodge the names of all brethren entitled to sit, vote, or speak in the Grand Lodge.

Correspondence.—To examine all correspondence and documents which may be referred, and report to the Lodge any suggestions or recommendations which may be deemed necessary.

Finance.—To take into consideration all claims and accounts against the Grand Lodge, and to investigate the propriety of granting any money which may be asked for by brethren, in open Lodge by resolution, or otherwise ; and to recommend to the Lodge such sum or sums as in its wisdom should be paid.

Suspensions and Expulsions.—To examine and report upon all documents referring to the suspension or expulsion of brethren.

Appeals.—To investigate and try all cases of appeals, and report to the Lodge.

Constitution and Laws.—To consider and report to the Lodge the effect which any proposition to change, alter, or amend the constitution, may have.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.

76. The following shall be the order of Precedence among the brethren :—

Grand Master and Sovereign.

Deputy Grand Master.

- Past Grand Masters, taking precedence according to date of appointment.
- Provincial Grand Masters, taking precedence according to date of appointment.
- Past Deputy Grand Masters in the order of Provincial Grand Masters.
- Past Provincial Grand Masters, taking precedence by same rule as Provincial Grand Master.
- Grand Chaplain.
- Grand Secretary.
- Grand Treasurer.
- Grand Lecturer.
- Grand Director of Ceremonies.
- Past Grand Secretary and Treasurer.
- Provincial Deputy Grand Masters, taking precedence by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Deputy Grand Chaplains, in order of appointment.
- Deputy Grand Secretary.
- Deputy Grand Treasurer.
- Deputy Grand Lecturers by date of appointment.
- Provincial Grand Chaplains, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Grand Secretaries, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Grand Treasurers, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Grand Lecturers, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Grand Directors of Ceremonies, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplains, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Provincial Deputy Grand Secretaries, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
- Past Provincial Grand Officers (except Masters), in same order, and by same rules respectively, as Provincial Grand Officers.
- County Masters, taking precedence by date of appointment, if two or more claim by equal term, seniority to be given to the County Lodge having greatest number of Private Lodges, and if still equal, seniority to be given to the County Lodge first organized.

District Masters, by same rule as County Masters.
Masters of Lodges, according to date of Warrants.
Past County Masters, by same rule as County Masters.
Past District Masters, by same rule as District Masters.
Last Past Masters of Lodges, by same rule as Masters.
County Officers, in their respective positions by same rule as County Masters.
District Officers, in their respective positions by same rule as District Masters.
Officers of Private Lodges, in their respective positions, by same rule as Masters.
Private members, by same rule as Masters.

RULES OF ORDER.

77. The following shall be the Rules of Order :

1st. The Grand Master shall preserve order and decorum, and decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Grand Lodge

2nd. The Grand Master shall not take part in any debate, nor vote on any motion, unless on an equal division, when he may give his reasons for voting ; or he may express his views upon any question in debate, before the vote is taken.

3rd. When the Grand Master, or any member, is called on to explain a point of order or practice, he shall state the Rule applicable to the case, without argument or comment.

4th. Every member of the Grand Lodge, previous to his speaking, shall rise from his seat uncovered, and address himself to the Grand Master.

5th. When two or more rise at the same time, the Grand Master shall decide who is to speak first.

6th. When the Grand Master is putting a question, no Brother shall speak, walk out of, or cross the Lodge Room.

7th. No Brother, while speaking, shall be interrupted except upon a point of order, nor shall any Brother pass between him and the chair.

8th. When a Brother is called to order he shall resume his seat until the question of order is decided ; he may, however, be permitted to explain, but in no case to introduce new matter.

9th. Whenever the Lodge is appealed to against a decision of the Grand Master, it shall be put without debate in the following words : "*Shall the Chair be Sustained ?*" the Grand Master having the right in all cases to state his reasons for the decision given. If there be no appeal, the decision of the Grand Master shall be final.

10th. No Brother shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen or any member of the Royal Family, or of the persons administering the Government of the Dominion of Canada, nor shall he use any unmannerly, immoral, or indecent language, when speaking of the proceedings of any Lodge, or Member, nor shall he speak beside the question in debate.

11th. A member may require the question in discussion, to be read for his information at any time of the debate, but not so as to interrupt a Brother speaking.

12th. No Brother shall speak more than once on the same question, nor longer than ten minutes, without leave of the Lodge, unless in explanation, save the mover, who shall have the right of reply, after which the debate shall close.

13th. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when an adjournment was the next preceding motion.

14th. No motion shall be debated or put unless it be in writing and seconded.

15th. After a motion has been received by the Grand Master, it shall be deemed to be in possession of The Grand Lodge, but may be withdrawn at any time, before decision or amendment, with permission of the Grand Lodge.

16th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except to amend, postpone, lay on the table, the previous question, to adjourn, or to commit.

17th. The previous question, until decided, shall preclude all amendments or debate of the main question, and shall be put in the following words : "*Shall the main question be now put ?*"

18th. All motions shall be put in the order in which they are received, except to amend, fixing dates, or naming sums, when the largest sum and longest date shall be put first.

19th. No motion prefaced by a preamble shall be admitted.

20th. The Grand Master shall receive and read every motion when seconded, before it can be debated.

21st. No motion to reconsider shall be received, unless made by a Brother who shall have voted in the affirmative.

22nd. It shall be the duty of the Grand Master, when he conceives that a motion which he has received and read may be contrary to the Rules of the Lodge, to inform the Lodge thereof before such motion is put, and to cite the Rule applicable to the case.

23rd. No motion to amend an amendment to an amendment shall be received.

24th. The yeas and nays shall be taken only upon the request of five members.

25th. In all unprovided cases the Grand Master shall decide, subject to an appeal to The Grand Lodge.

26th. No brother shall be permitted to speak, or vote, unless clothed in Regalia, suitable to his rank and station, in the Lodge.

27th. Any Brother refusing to take his seat when the Master's gavel is heard, shall be fined, for the first offence, one dollar; for every successive offence, two dollars, and upon refusing to pay said fines, the offending Brother shall be compelled to leave the Lodge Room.

78. The above Rules of Order shall apply to all Lodges, as far as applicable.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES.

79. Each Province having a Local Parliament shall constitute the territorial limits of a Provincial Grand Lodge ; except the Province of Ontario, which shall have two Provincial Grand Lodges, whose territorial divisions shall be as follows :— All that part of the Province of Ontario, lying west of the counties of Durham and Victoria, shall constitute a separate Province to be the Province of Ontario West ; and all that part of the Province of Ontario bounded on the west by the western limits of the counties of Durham and Victoria, shall constitute a separate Province, to be known as the Province of Ontario East.

80. The designation of the Provincial Grand Lodges shall be as follows :—

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| The Provincial Grand Lodge of Ontario West, | | | |
| " | " | " | Ontario East, |
| " | " | " | Quebec, |
| " | " | " | New Scotia, |
| " | " | " | New Brunswick, |
| " | " | " | Prince Edward Island, |
| " | " | " | Newfoundland, |
| " | " | " | Manitoba, |
| " | " | " | British Columbia, |
| " | " | " | Islands of Jamaica and the West Indies. |

81. The Provincial Grand Lodge in each of the several Provinces, shall meet, elect its own officers, levy its own dues, divide its territory into Counties and Districts, and make such Rules and Regulations for the management of its own local affairs, and the government of its own members, as it may deem just and prudent, and as shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution or authority of The Grand Lodge of British America.

82. The Provincial Grand Lodges shall meet within their respective Provinces annually, in such places as they shall

determine after their first meeting, at any time not later than one month previous to the annual meeting of The Grand Lodge; and elect for the then ensuing year a Master, whose designation shall be the Right Worshipful, a Deputy Master, a Junior Deputy Master, Chaplain, Treasurer, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Lecturer, and Director of Ceremonies, and any number of Deputy Grand Chaplains.

83. Provincial Grand Lodges shall be composed of their own Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters, Past Provincial Grand Masters, and Last Past Provincial Grand Officers: County Masters, District Masters, and Masters of Private Lodges. And when the Master of a County, District, or Private Lodge is absent, or sits in the Grand Lodge, in some other capacity, the Deputy Master of such Lodge may sit and vote; and in the absence of the Master and Deputy Master of any such Lodge, then a Proxy duly appointed in open Lodge, who must be a member of such Lodge, may sit and vote; provided that no officer of any Provincial Grand Lodge shall be allowed to sit and vote unless he has received the Royal Scarlet Degree.

84. Any vacancy in the office of Provincial Grand Master, during the currency of his office, by death, or any other cause, shall be filled by the succession of the senior Provincial Deputy Grand Master thereto.

85. No Provincial Grand Lodge shall be held unless there are at least twelve Companions of the Royal Scarlet Order Present.

86. Meetings of Provincial Grand Lodges shall be presided over the Provincial Grand Master, or a Deputy Provincial Grand Master; if neither of them be present, the senior officer present shall preside; and, while so presiding, shall have all the power of the Provincial Grand Master.

87. Every Provincial Grand Lodge, and the Provincial Grand Officers, shall have, within the Province, all the powers, rights and authorities of The Grand Lodge, but in subordination to The Grand Lodge; and should there be an appeal to The Grand Lodge, from the Provincial Grand Lodge, on such appeal, the decision of the Grand Lodge shall be final and conclusive.

88. Provincial Grand Treasurers, when elected, shall furnish two sureties in five hundred dollars each, and be bound them.

selves in one thousand dollars ; and shall, as often as once in three months, remit to the Grand Treasurer of The Grand Lodge, all moneys (as Grand Lodge dues) in their hands constitutionally belonging to The Grand Lodge, together with a statement of what Lodges paid the money ; and any Treasurer neglecting or refusing to comply with this Rule may, on complaint, be suspended by the Grand Master, or The Grand Master may take such other action as he may think necessary.

89. It shall be the duty of each Provincial Grand Secretary to transmit annually to the Grand Secretary of The Grand Lodge, within two weeks after the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, a Report in writing, stating the names of the Provincial Grand Officers, County Masters, and District Masters for the current year, within the jurisdiction of his Provincial Grand Lodge, and the Post Office address of each, marking opposite each name, whether the returns have been made and dues paid, together with a list of the suspensions and expulsions, and the next place and date of meeting of his Provincial Grand Lodge.

90. Provincial Grand Secretaries and Treasurers shall prepare a list of the names of the officers that may have been received, with the offices they hold in the Association, and the number of the Lodge to which they belong, and also a statement of the Lodges in their Provinces, marking opposite to the number of each Lodge whether such Lodge is in arrears or not, which statement shall be laid before the Committee on Credentials on the first day of the annual meeting.

91. The Grand Lodge shall be entitled to receive from each Provincial Grand Lodge one half dollar annually for each working Private Lodge (not declared dormant, and the Warrant called in), under its jurisdiction, and The Grand Lodge of British America shall be at the expense of all printing, except Reports of Provincial Grand Lodges.

92. Each Lodge shall be furnished by the Provincial Grand Secretary, through the County and District Masters, with copies of all forms of Returns, at the expense of The Grand Lodge, and failing to make such Returns after having received said forms, shall pay a fine of one dollar into the District Lodge Fund, and shall not receive the Annual until this Regulation be complied with.

COUNTY LODGES.

93. Members of County Lodges must have at least the Orange, Purple, Blue and Royal Arch Purple Degrees.

94. County Lodges must be opened in the Royal Arch Purple, but may be reduced at the option of the Lodge.

95. County Lodges shall be composed of their own Officers, District Officers, Masters, Deputy Masters, Chaplains, Secretaries, Treasurers, and senior Committeemen of Private Lodges, Past County Masters, and last Past Masters of District and Private Lodges, being members in good standing in Private Lodges within the County.

96. Any Member of the County Lodge failing to attend when summoned, and not assigning any good reason for non-attendance, may be admonished or fined, at the discretion of the Lodge.

97. At the Annual Meeting, the Members shall attend without notice, and shall elect for the ensuing year :—

A County Master,
A County Deputy Master,
A County Chaplain,
A County Secretary,
A County Treasurer,
A County Director of Ceremonies, and
A County Lecturer.

98. County Masters shall be *ex-officio* members of all District and Private Lodges under their jurisdiction, and have the right to vote upon all questions, except the distribution of Lodge Funds, the Election of Officers, and the Framing of By-Laws.

99. No Brother shall be eligible for election to the office of County Master, or County Deputy Master, until he shall have had conferred upon him the Royal Scarlet Degree.

100. The Regular Annual Meeting of the County Lodge shall be held on the first Tuesday in February, of each year. Should, however, no Lodge be held on that day, the Officers shall hold office until their successors are elected and installed, which may be done at any subsequent meeting, regular or special, of the Lodge; and it is hereby declared to be the duty of the Lodge, under such circumstances, at its next meeting, regular or emergent, to elect officers.

101. Nine members shall form a quorum, without which number being present no County Lodge shall open or work.

102. It shall be the duty of the County Master or presiding Brother to appoint two Tylers, whose duty shall be the same as those of the Tylers for the Grand Lodge of British America.

103. In the absence of the County Master, the Deputy Master shall preside; if both be absent, the senior District Master present, if no District Master be present the senior Master present shall preside, and his powers, *pro tem.* over, and in the Lodge, shall be those of the County Master.

104. If the Deputy Chair be vacant, the presiding Brother shall direct one of the Brethren present to take it.

105. It shall be the duty of the County Master to counter-sign all Warrants issued in his County during his term of office. Should anything occur, however, to induce him to withhold his signature, he shall at once acquaint the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master, of his objection, in writing, subject to that officer's decision.

106. Upon any complaint being made, by not less than five members of a Lodge, against a District Officer, or against the Master or Deputy Master of any Private Lodge, it shall be the duty of the County Master to call a County Meeting within a reasonable time, not to exceed one month after such complaint shall have been made, and summon the party complained of to appear; and shall, at the same time, notify the parties complaining to attend, in order to substantiate his or their complaint.

107. Should none of the Complaining brethren appear without any reason given, then shall the Lodge acquit the Brother or Brethren complained of, and, at their discretion

fine the complaining Brethren not more than two dollars each; or should the charge turn out to be frivolous and vexatious, the Lodge may, in addition to the said fine, suspend all or any of the complaining Brethren.

108. Should the defending Brother or Brethren fail to appear, without assigning any reason, then shall the Lodge proceed to examine witnesses and to adjudge the case; and may, according to its opinion, in any matter not distinctly coming under the special provisions of The Grand Lodge, inflict a fine in a sum not exceeding two dollars, but in all other matters shall proceed upon the penalties set forth by The Grand Lodge Regulations.

109. In all such cases the County Master shall summon the meeting of the County Lodge, at some proper place most convenient to all parties, except when decided otherwise at a previous County Meeting.

110. Each County Master shall make his returns to the Provincial Grand Secretary, before the second Tuesday in February in each year, together with the names of the members suspended or expelled from any Lodge in his County, and the cause of such suspension or expulsion.

111. At a County Meeting a fee may be established for County purposes, and, when established, the Lodges and officers within its limits shall be held liable for the same, in the same manner as all other fees.

DISTRICT LODGES.

112. District Lodges are composed of the District Officers, Masters, Deputy Masters, Chaplain, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Senior Committeemen of Private Lodges, all Past District Masters, and Last Past Masters of Private Lodges, all having received the necessary Degrees and being in connection and good standing in some Private Lodge within the District.

113. District Lodges must be opened in the Blue Degree, but may be reduced at the option of the Lodge.

114. Members of the District Lodge must have at least the Degrees of Orange, Purple and Blue.

115. The Annual Meeting of the District Lodge shall be held on the second Tuesday in January in each year.

116. Each District Lodge shall elect for the year a District Master, District Deputy Master, District Chaplain, District Secretary, District Treasurer, and District Director of Ceremonies.

117. District Masters shall be *ex-officio* members of all Private Lodges within their Jurisdiction, and shall have the right to vote on all questions, except the distribution of Lodge Funds, Election of Officers, and the Framing of By-Laws.

118. Each District Lodge shall, from time to time, fix its own place of meeting, and meet as often as it deems necessary.

119. It shall be the duty of each District Master to visit each Lodge in his District, at least once in every year, and he shall have power to correct all irregularities, taking for his guide the Regulations of The Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge; and upon his being duly notified in writing by any Grand or Provincial Grand Officer, County Master, or Master of a Private Lodge in his District, of the violation of any law or regulation by a Private Lodge or Master thereof, in his official capacity, it shall be the imperative duty of the District Master, without unnecessary delay, to take effective measures for the investigation and correction of all such violations.

120. The District Master shall have the power to cause any subordinate officer of a District Lodge, or officer of a Private Lodge, to be summoned before the District Lodge for any refusal to obey his orders, given in conformity with the Rules and Regulations of the Association, and such summons shall be proceeded with, in manner and form, as pointed out herein.

121. It shall be the duty of the District Master to open all new Lodges in his District, and to install the Masters thereof.

122. It shall be the duty of the District Master to see that the Annual Returns are made, and all dues paid by Private Lodges, at or before the Annual District Meeting, and to report the same, and also those who have not paid or made returns to the County Lodge at or before its annual meeting.

123. The powers conferred, and the duties imposed upon the District Master, in his absence, shall be exercised and performed by the District deputy Master ; in the absence of both, the senior officer present at any district meeting, shall preside, and shall have, during the sitting of the Lodge, and for the purposes thereof, all the powers of the District Master.

124. Seven members shall be necessary to form a quorum.

125. No member shall be eligible for election as District Master unless he has the Royal Scarlet Degree ; nor can any one be a District Master who has not first received that Degree.

126. At a District Meeting a fee may be established for District purposes, and when so established, the Lodges and Officers within its limits shall be held liable for the same, in the same manner as all other fees.

127. Any person being an Orangeman, and having withdrawn from constant and regular attendance, by certificate or otherwise, and thereafter being deemed guilty of any conduct unworthy the character of an Orangeman, his case shall be considered by the District Lodge ; and if, after such consideration, it shall be decided that the charge involves expulsion, then he shall be notified by the District Secretary that the charge or charges will be heard and examined at the next ensuing County Lodge, and that he is required to appear.

with the certificate to answer such charges. In case of his non-appearance, and proof of the service of the notice having been made, then the case shall be considered by the County Lodge as if the brother was present, and such penalty imposed as the County Lodge shall deem meet.

128. Any Private Lodge not meeting for six consecutive months shall be considered dormant, and the District Master shall have power to demand and take possession of the Warrant, the Lodge chest, and all other property of said Lodge, in the name and on behalf of the District Lodge to which such Lodge has been attached, and any claims for rent which may be standing against such property shall be liquidated by such District Lodge, and any person or persons applying for such property thereafter, shall reimburse such District Lodge, in any sum paid by it on account of such property, previous to receiving it. And no brother shall, under any circumstances, be allowed to detain the Warrant from the District Master for rent or any other cause whatever, under pain of expulsion, and the District Lodge shall be held responsible for the payment of all Grand Lodge dues for all Lodges within the District, including dormant Lodges, until the Warrants are returned, or notice given to the County Master, and through him to the Provincial Grand Secretary.

129. In case of a Dormant Lodge, the District Lodge shall have power to grant a certificate to any member thereof who was in good standing, upon the payment of a fee of one dollar, and all dues which he may have owed to such Lodge at the time it became dormant, (such fees and dues to form part of the District funds), and such certificate must be sealed with the District Lodge seal, and signed by the District Master, Deputy Master and Secretary.

130. The powers in the preceding sections, Nos. 128 and 129, shall apply to County Masters and County Officers when such dormant Lodge is not situated within the jurisdiction of a District, but has been working under the direct guidance of a County Lodge.

131. District Masters shall make their returns to the County Master, on or before the day on which the Annual Meeting is held, together with the names of the Members suspended or expelled from any Lodge in their District, and the cause of such suspension or expulsion.

PRIVATE LODGES.

132. No new Lodge shall be opened until a Warrant has been issued for it, and no Lodge shall open or work unless its Warrant is placed in some conspicuous part of the Lodge Room, so as to be easily seen by the Brethren.

133. Five members shall constitute a quorum, and no Lodge can work with less than a quorum in any degree.

134. All Lodges must have a Master, a Deputy Master, a Chaplain, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Director of Ceremonies; and as soon as possible, five Committeemen, and such other Officers as its By-laws may provide for.

135. The Order of Business in a Private Lodge shall be as laid down in the Rituals.

136. The election of Officers shall take place at the December monthly meeting in each year, and the Officers then chosen shall be then and there installed, and at once enter on the duties of their respective offices.

137. If in case of accident, necessity or any other cause, an election should not take place at the time specified in the next preceding Rule, then it shall be lawful for the Master or Senior Officer for the time being to call a Special Meeting for the purpose, as early as possible, or to leave such election to the monthly meeting in January.

138. The Master, Deputy Master, Secretary, Treasurer and Senior Committeeman, must have the Royal Arch Degree.

139. In case of a change of Officers, it shall be the duty of the Past Master, on the night of Installation, to install the Master elect, who shall then install the other Officers of the Lodge in accordance with the Forms laid down in the Regulations and Rituals of the Grand Lodge.

140. It shall not be necessary to install any Officer who is re-elected to the same office, but his former obligation shall stand good.

141. If the Last Past Master is not present, the Last Past Deputy Master, or any Past Master, or Past Deputy Master, or, in their absence, any Past Officer shall install the Master elect, or Deputy Master elect, if the former shall be absent.

142. A majority of the members present shall be sufficient to elect a Master and the other Officers.

143. In case of the resignation or death of the Master elected by the Lodge, then the Deputy Master shall take his place, and the Senior Committeeman shall take the place of the Deputy Master, and the Lodge shall elect another Committeeman, who shall be the Junior, and in case of a vacancy in any other office, the Lodge shall have the power to fill such vacancy by electing another Brother to fill the position.

144. Application for admission into the Order must be made to the Lodge nearest to the place of residence of the candidate, and must be in writing signed by the candidate and vouched for by two members of the Lodge in good standing, who shall sign the same; provided that in cities, towns or villages, application may be made to any Lodge working in said cities, towns or villages; provided always that a candidate may be admitted into any Lodge desirous of receiving him to membership, upon the production of a certificate from the Master of the Lodge nearest to his place of residence that he is a fit and proper person to be initiated. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age.

145. All applications for admission must be made at one meeting, and referred to the Standing Committee of the Lodge to report upon, and accepted or rejected at a subsequent one, except in case of extreme necessity, on a dispensation in writing, signed by the Grand Master, or the Provincial Grand Master, which shall be entered on the minutes of the Lodge.

146. If three members vote against a person who applies for admission, he shall be rejected; if less than three, it shall be submitted to the Committee of the Lodge to investigate and report. The Committee shall inquire into the candidate's character and the grounds of objection of the opposing Breth

ren, and shall report upon both points. If, on hearing such report, three members vote nay, the candidate shall be rejected if less, admitted. Voting to be "by ballot."

147. If any Master or acting Master initiate a candidate in violation of the preceding Rule, he shall be tried by the District Lodge, on complaint being made, and the District Lodge may inflict such punishment as it deems sufficient; provided always that the offending Brother shall have timely notice of such charge being preferred, and when and where the case will be tried. And the County Lodge may, in addition, if the circumstances of the case justify it, call in the Warrant of the Lodge in which such initiation or advancement was had, and take possession thereof; provided, always, in favor of Brethren who had been so admitted, and received one or more Degrees, not knowing that they were unconstitutional given, that they may make application to the Lodge nearest their place of residence for admission as Members, and, if admitted, may, on filing their certificates from the Lodge to which they belonged, be registered as Members of such Lodge, and entitled to all the privileges thereof, and of all the Degrees they have received.

148. If previous to or at the time of voting for a candidate, it shall have been ascertained that such candidate has applied to two or more Lodges, it shall not be competent to withdraw the name from either; but the Master of that Lodge which shall first meet after the nomination, shall direct the Secretary, when the period arrives for voting upon the nomination in question, to enter the application "*rejected for double application*;" of which proceeding the Master of the other Lodge or Lodges to which such application or applications had been made, shall be notified; and when the name of the candidate comes up, the notification from the Lodge in which the record was made shall be read and entered, and shall be the end of all action on the case or cases.

149. No Lodge shall receive any Brother to membership without his first having deposited his certificate, and having in writing surrendered all right to it, and having been accepted in open Lodge.

150. It shall not be lawful for any Lodge to admit a Brother who is not a regular Member, nor to allow one to

deposit his Certificate, when such Certificate had been obtained surreptitiously ; and in no case shall a Lodge be required to return a Certificate when the Master, in his opinion, or the Lodge in its opinion, deems that the good of the Society requires that it be withheld ; provided always, that any Certificated Member from Great Britain or Ireland shall be permitted to deposit his Certificate, if such Certificate shall appear correct, upon taking the Orange obligation, and swearing that he received the Certificate regularly, and that he is the man whose name appears in said Certificate.

151. A Lodge shall have power to constitute any Brother belonging to such Lodge an Honorary Member, upon such terms as the Lodge may direct.

152. Upon a Member being initiated or joining by Certificate, he shall receive a printed copy of the Constitution and Rules of the Order from the Secretary of the Lodge.

153. A Member of a Private Lodge may receive a Degree in a Lodge of which he is not a Member, on the Certificate of the Master of his own Lodge to the Master of such other Lodge ; provided that an entry of such advancement shall be made in the Degree Minute Book of the Lodge to which such member belongs, and that such Member shall pay to his own Lodge the proper fee for the Degree previous to receiving the Master's Certificate.

154. No Brother shall be advanced to a Degree unless well versed in the lecture of the previous degree, nor who is guilty of habitually cursing, swearing, or drinking to excess, nor who has not in all matters conducted himself as he should have done in those already conferred.

155. The fees for the several Degrees shall be as follows : Orange, \$2 ; Purple, \$1 ; Blue, \$1 ; Royal Arch Mark, \$2. "That any Lodge shall have power to impose an additional fee or fees for benevolent purposes.

156. No Private Lodge shall be held in any room of an hotel, tavern, or saloon, nor shall any intoxicating liquor be introduced or used as a beverage in the Lodge-room, either before, during or after the closing of the meeting, at any meeting called for the transaction of business in connection

with the Society, under a penalty of \$2 for every offence, to be paid to the District Fund.

157. The Master of a Lodge may at any time call a Meeting of Emergency, of which due notice shall be given.

158. Every Lodge shall keep on file a book of the Constitution, and all the Reports of the Grand Lodge, and the Secretary shall, from time to time, note in the book of the Constitution all changes made therein.

159. Previous to the opening of the Lodge, the Master shall cause every one in the room to be examined, and no one shall be allowed to remain while the Lodge is open who is not a Brother in good standing in a Private Lodge.

160. When a Member has been initiated he shall be put in charge of some Brother for instruction in the principles and working of the Order.

161. The Annual shall be communicated by the Master of every Private Lodge to the Members of his Lodge, but he is strictly forbidden to communicate the same to any Member in default of his dues.

162. No member shall receive the Annual at any Lodge but that of which he is a Member; nor shall any Brother give the Annual to any Member, except the Master of the Lodge to which he belongs, unless authorized by the Master to impart it; nor shall any Master give the Annual to any Member of the Order, except to the Members of his own Lodge. Any Master or other Officer violating this Rule, shall be fined \$4 by the District Lodge.

163. Any Member wishing to draw his certificate, shall in the first place, pay not less than fifty cents and all dues and charges against him, which having been paid, the certificate may be granted forthwith, in case of necessity, by the Officers of the Lodge, provided there be no objections to the Brother receiving his certificate; but in no case shall it be withheld longer than one month from the date of the application to the Lodge in Session, if there be no charge of impropriety against the applicant, or no just grounds for withholding the same: and provided that after demand, the Brother may leave his certificate unclaimed and continue in connection by a regular

payment of his dues, which shall act as a rescinding order to the original grant of the certificate.

164. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the records of the Lodge, to enter all the proceedings in the order in which they take place in open Lodge, and to obtain the Master's signature, after approval by the Lodge at the next meeting, he, the Secretary, countersigning the same; he shall make out all returns in the manner provided by the Grand Lodge, and shall conform in all things to the Regulations, in keeping his books and entries, and to perform any other duties that his own Private Lodge may impose upon him.

165. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys, and shall balance his accounts as often as the By-Laws of his own Private Lodge shall direct, and shall in no case pay out money without the order or under the regulations of the Lodge. He shall also be the guardian of all the other property of the Lodge, of which he is a Member (the Secretary's books and papers excepted), unless the Lodge may assign such duties to other Officers.

166. The Committee shall try all cases of a violation of the Constitution or By-Laws which shall be referred to it; they shall inquire into the reputation of candidates, whether submitted to them by a negative vote or not. They are to be guided as well by the By-laws of their own Lodge as by the Regulations of the Grand Lodge, the latter governing in all cases where provisions are made, and the report of such Committee may either be confirmed, amended or rejected. The Committee shall, in all cases, report by resolution, which resolution shall set forth the conclusion they have arrived at, from the testimony before them, with their recommendation in the premises.

167. No Tyler, within or without, shall leave his post without permission, under a penalty of 25 cents.

168. No Tyler shall allow a Brother to leave the room without the sanction of the Master, or Deputy Master, under a penalty of 25 cents.

169. Any Member who shall be in default of dues, and shall remain in default for three months after demand for

payment has been made upon him, may be suspended until such dues are paid.

170 The Master, or presiding Officer of the Lodge, shall after the dues have been collected, call for a statement of the amount of receipts for the evening ; and may call for a return of all those who have been six months in arrears, and direct the Treasurer to make a demand for payment ; and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make such demand for payment, and report on every case, at the next Monthly Meeting, when process shall be ordered to issue against all the defaulters to appear at the next Monthly Meeting.

171. Any Brother charged with having committed a crime meriting the penalty of expulsion, shall receive notice of his trial at least eight days before the day fixed, such notice to be in writing. He shall have the right, under the signature of the Master, to compel the attendance of any Brother, whether a Member of the Lodge or not, and any Brother so summoned as a witness, shall attend, under a penalty of \$1, to be imposed and collected by the District Lodge for District purposes.

172. Whenever it may be deemed necessary, the Master of a Lodge shall have power to summon or cause to be summoned, any Orangeman whether belonging to his Lodge or not, or whether in connection or not (save and except suspended or expelled Members), to give evidence upon the trial of any Brother, and any Orangeman refusing to attend and give evidence when so summoned, shall be liable to suspension or expulsion, upon conviction by the Committee of the Lodge to which he belongs ; and if not in connection, he shall be tried by the Lodge whose summons he shall have disregarded.

173. In all cases when a Brother has left the country, having defrauded his Lodge or having committed any offence, for which he would be liable to suspension or expulsion, he shall, upon proof of the same, be suspended or expelled, in the same manner as if he had been summoned.

174. Should the Brother who is to take his trial fail to appear, and no sufficient reason be assigned, the trial of the case shall be proceeded with, upon proof of his having been summoned in the same manner as if he were actually present.

175. The names of all persons expelled from the Society by any Private Lodge shall be transmitted to the District Lodge, together with the cause of expulsion.

176. No member of a Lodge shall absent himself from the first meeting in December, unless by special permission from the Master, under the penalty of 25 cents.

177. Any Brother entering a Lodge room intoxicated shall be fined \$1 for the first offence, \$5 for the second offence, and for the third time may be suspended or expelled.

178. Any Brother misbehaving himself during the sitting of the Lodge, shall be liable to a fine, to be imposed by the Master, not to exceed \$1. and, if necessary, the Master may order him to withdraw from the room, which it shall be the duty of the Brethren present to carry out.

179. Any Brother transacting any private business, or making or promising to make any bets, or laying wagers in open Lodge, shall be subject to a fine of not less than 10 cents, nor more than \$1.

180. No Brother shall leave the Lodge Room after the Lodge is opened, without permission from the Master or Deputy Master; and any Brother violating this Rule shall be summoned to appear at the next meeting, and shall be fined not less than 25 cents, nor more than \$1.

181. Any Brother not attending a Lodge when a general summons is issued, shall pay a fine of 25 cents, unless he assigns a sufficient reason for his absence, to be so declared by the Master.

182. Any Member failing to attend when specially summoned, may hereafter be cited to appear before the Committee, who, after having investigated the charge, may adjudge the Brother to pay a fine not exceeding \$2, or to be suspended or expelled; judgment to be reserved for the decision of the Lodge.

183. Any Brother who shall, on any occasion, or at any time, so conduct himself as to bring discredit or dishonor upon the Association, shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to either fine, suspension or expulsion, as the Lodge upon the report of the Committee, shall determine.

184. All fines shall be ordered to be collected under the written authority of the Master.

185. Any dispute arising which is not provided for by the Rules and Regulations of the Association, shall be decided by the Master or Officer presiding at the time; and the parties shall submit to his orders, saving the right of appeal, in the first instance to the District, secondly to the County, then to the Provincial Grand Lodge, and lastly to the Grand Lodge.

186. All dues paid by Private Lodges shall be for the year ending on the last day of the natural year.

187. All former Constitutions of the Loyal Orange Association shall be, and the same are hereby repealed and abolished.

FORMS.

FORM OF APPEAL.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

*Worshipful Master of L. O. L., No., (or
District or County Master of.....as the case may be.)*

SIR AND BROTHER,—I (*or we*), the undersigned, hereby give notice that I (*or we*), appeal against the decision and judgment rendered by Loyal Orange Lodge No., (*or District, or County Lodge of.....as the case may be*), in the matter of Brother....., against Brother....., for....., and request that you will produce, or cause to be produced, all documents and evidence in relation thereto, at the next meeting of the District (*County, Provincial or Grand*) Lodge, in order that the appeal may be fully investigated.

Dated at.....
this,.....day of.....18..

Signatures, {

.....
.....
.....

FORM OF PROXY.

L. O. A., B.

To the.....Grand Orange Lodge of.....

This is to certify that Brother.....has been duly nominated and appointed in open Lodge as Proxy for Loyal Orange Lodge, No., held at....., in the District and County of to sit and vote in the... Grand Lodge of.....for the year 18....

In testimony whereof, witness our hands and seal of our Lodge.....this.....day of.....18....

{ Lodge }
 { Seal. }

.....W. Master.
Secretary.

[NOTE.—This form can be changed
 County Lodges.]

District and

FORM OF ORDINARY SUMMONS.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

SIR AND BROTHER,—By order of the Worshipful Master, (or County, or District Master, as the case may be,) you are summoned and required to attend a..... Meeting of L. O. L. No., (or the County or District Orange Lodge, as the case may be), at.....on the.....day of.... 18...., at.....o'clockM.

Dated at.....

this.....day of.....18....

.....
 County, or District Secretary, as the case may be.

FORM OF CHARGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Worshipful Master of L. O. L., No... , (or District, or County Master of..... , as the case may be).

SIR AND BROTHER,—I (or we) hereby charge Brother of L. O. L. No...., (or if an Officer state his official capacity), with having violated the "Constitution and Laws" of the Loyal Orange Association, as follows, that is to say : (*Here give date of offence as near as possible, and state particulars of such offence*), and pray that investigation may be had in this matter.

Dated at..... Signatures. {
this.....day of.....18.... {

FORM OF SUMMONS FOR THE TRIAL OF A
MEMBER.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

SIR AND BROTHER,—You are hereby summoned and required to appear before the Committee of L. O. L., No. .., (or before the Lodge, or District or County Lodge of, as the case may be), at..... on the..... day of.....18...., ato'clock....M., and make answer to the charge hereto annexed.

{ Seal of Private, District, or County }
{ Lodge, as the case may be. }

.....W. (or District or County) Master.
.....Secretary (of Private, District or County Lodge).

Dated at.....

this.....day of.....18....

(Here follows Copy of Charge).

FORM OF SUMMONS FOR A WITNESS.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

SIR AND BROTHER,—You are hereby summoned and required to appear before the Committee of L. O. L. No..... (or before the Lodge, or District or County Lodge of..... as the case may be), aton theday of18 ... ato'clock....M., as witness in the case of Brother against Brother... ..for.....(Here give substance of charge).

{ Seal of Private, District or County }
 { Lodge, as the case may be. }

.....W. (or District or County) Master
Secretary (of Private, District or County Lodge, as the case may be).

Dated at.....this.....day of.....18....

FORM OF SUMMONS TO ATTEND THE LODGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

SIR AND BROTHER,—By order of the Worshipful Master (or District, or County Master, as the case may be), you are summoned and required to attend a..... Meeting of L. O. L. No...., (or the District or County Orange Lodge, as the case may be).

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR WARRANT.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Officers of the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of.....

We, the undersigned, Members of the Loyal Orange Association, being desirous of forming a Lodge under your jurisdiction, herewith enclose the requisite fee (\$6), and respectfully request that a Warrant may be granted us, made out in the name of Brother..... as Master, to be held at.....in the District of.....and County of.....

Dated at..... } Signatures
 this....day of....18.. } of Appli-
 } cants, not
 } less than six.

[NOTE.—This application must pass through the hands of, and be recommended by the District and County Masters.]

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM A PRIVATE LODGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

We, the Master, Deputy Master, and Secretary of Loyal Orange Lodge, No., held at, in the District of, County of, and Province of do certify that Brother has regularly received the Degree of an Orange ... man in this, our Association, and that he has conducted himself, during his stay amongst us, to our satisfaction. We, therefore, request all regular Lodges of our Association to recognize and admit him as such.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands and seal of our Lodge, at, this day, 18....

| | | | |
|---|-------------|---|--------------------------|
| { | Lodge Seal. | } | Worshipful Master. |
| | | | Deputy Master. |
| | | | Secretary. |
| | | | Treasurer. |

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM A DISTRICT LODGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

We, the Master, Deputy Master, and Secretary of the District Orange Lodge of, in the County of in the Province of, do certify, from evidence produced, that Brother was a Member in good standing in Loyal Orange Lodge No. (formerly held at of, in the of, in the said County), when said Lodge No. became dormant; and that he has regularly received the Degree of an Orange man. We, therefore, request all regular Lodges of our Association to recognize and admit him as such.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands and seal of our said Lodge at this day of 18....

| | | | |
|---|----------------|---|----------------------|
| { | Seal of Lodge. | } | Master. |
| | | | Deputy Master. |
| | | | Secretary. |
| | | | Treasurer. |

[NOTE.—In case of an Isolated Lodge not attached to any District, then this form can be changed to meet the requirements of a County Lodge Certificate.]

**FORM OF ANNUAL RETURN FROM PRIVATE
LODGE TO DISTRICT AND COUNTY LODGES.**

Annual Return of L. O. L. No. to the Lodge of

| Number. | Name. | New Officers. | Age. | Post Office Address. | Occupation. | During the Year. | | | | | | Date, period and cause of suspension. | Date and cause of expulsion. | Remarks. | |
|---------|-------|---------------|------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| | | | | | | Initiated. | Joined by Certificate | Re-instated. | Withdrawn by Certificate. | Suspended. | Expelled. | | | | Remain'g in Membership. |
| | | W. M. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | D. M. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Chap. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Sec'y. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Treas. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | D. of C | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 1 } Committee | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2 } | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 3 } | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 4 } | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 5 } | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of Loyal Orange Lodge No., for the year ending 31st December, 18...., which Lodge meets at in the Town..... of District of, and County of on the of each month.

{ Lodge }
{ Seal. }

..... W. Master.
..... Secretary.

[This Form to be filled up immediately after Annual Election in December, and sent to the District Master.]

**FORM OF ANNUAL RETURN FROM A DISTRICT LODGE TO THE
COUNTY LODGE.**

Annual Return of the District Lodge of.....to the.....Lodge of.....

| Office. | Name of Officer for 18.. | No. of his Private Lodge. | P. O. Address. |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| District Master..... | | | |
| District Deputy Master... | | | |
| District Chaplain..... | | | |
| District Secretary..... | | | |
| District Treasurer | | | |
| Director of Ceremonies.... | | | |
| Last Past District Master. | | | |

PRIVATE LODGES.

| No. of Lodge. | Name of Master, Deputy Master, and Sec'y for 18 ... | Post Office. | Time of Meeting in each month | Place of Meet'g, lot, con., &c., or village. | Township. | No. of Members. | Remarks on Suspensions, Expulsions, Returns, Dues, &c. |
|---------------|---|--------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------------|--|
| | W. M.... | | | | | | |
| | D. M.... | | | | | | |
| | Secretary.. | | | | | | |
| | Treasurer.. | | | | | | |
| | Sen. C. M. | | | | | | |
| | L. P. M... | | | | | | |

We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of the several Private Lodges meeting within the District of.....in the County of.....for the year ending 31st December, 18...

{ Seal of }
 { District Lodge. }
 District Master.
 District Secretary.

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PRIVATE LODGES.

| Number. | Worshipful Master for 18.. | Post Office. | Time of Meeting in each month. | Place of Meeting, Lot, and Conc'n, or Village, &c. | Township. | Nos. which have not made Returns. | Nos. which have not paid Dues. | No. of Mem- bers. | Suspens'ns, expulsions, and cause. |
|---------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | |

We certify that the foregoing is a correct return of the County Lodge of.....for the year ending 31st December, 18.....

{ Seal of }
 { County Lodge. }
County Master.
County Secretary.

[This Form to be filled immediately after County Annual Meeting, and sent to the Provincial Grand Secretary.]

FORM OF PROPOSITION BOOKS.

Proposition Book of L. O. L., No.....

| Number. | Name. | Age. | Residence. | Occupation. | Church. | Where Born | Proposer. | Seconder. | Date of the Application. | Date of Initiation. | Remarks. |
|---------|------------|------|-------------|-------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 11 | J. Thomas. | 32 | Brockville, | Merchant, | Chur. of Eng. | Ireland. | W. Wilson, | J. Gould, | 21 Jan. '71 | 3 July, '71 | |
| 12 | W. Bolton | 37 | Barrie, | Physician, | do | Canada, | J. Thomas, | H. Johnson. | 21 Aug. " | 3 Sept. " | |
| 13 | J. Lee, | 28 | Newburgh, | Carpenter, | W. Methodist | England, | J. Wylie, | J. Andrew, | " | " | |
| 14 | H. Barnes, | 21 | Napanee, | Yeoman, | Chur. of Eng. | Scotland, | W. Wilson, | T. Peters, | 21 Dec. " | 3 Jan. " | Re- jected. |
| 15 | W. Harris, | 47 | Kingston, | Clerk, | Presbyterian. | Ireland, | H. Samson, | J. Kelly, | 3 June, " | 3 June, " | By Ct. |
| 16 | J. Wilson. | 34 | Whitby, | Gent, | do | Ireland, | W. Wilson, | J. Thomas, | 21 April " | 3 May, " | do |

FORM OF MEMBERSHIP AND DEGREE BOOK,

Membership and Degree Book of L. O. L., No.

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| Number. | Name. | No. in Proposition Book. | Date of Admission by | | Purple. | Blue. | R. A. P. | Date of Withdrawal by Certificate. | Suspensions, Expulsion and other Remarks. |
|---------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------|---|
| | | | Initiation. | Certificate. | | | | | |
| 10 J. Thomas, | 11 | 12 July, '51 | ..... | ..... | Nov. '52 | April, '54 | Sept. '53 | ..... |  |
| 11 W. Bolton, | 12 | " Sept. " | ..... | ..... | Jan. " | " " | " " | Mar. '53 | |
| 12 H. Barnes, | 14 | " Feb. '52 | ..... | ..... | May, " | Aug. " | ..... | ..... |  |
| 13 W. Harris, | 15 | ..... | 12 Feb. '52 | ..... | ..... | ..... | Sept. '52 | ..... | Expelled Nov. 1853, for drunkenness. |
| 14 J. Wilson, | 19 | ..... | " May, " | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 Aug. '53 | |

FORM OF ROLL BOOK.

Roll Book of..... Loyal Orange Lodge No.... for the year 18....

| Number. | Name. | Arrears | January. | February. | March. | April. | Decem'r. | Total paid | Arrears. | Remarks |
|---------|---------------|---------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|------------|----------|---------|
| | | \$ cts. | \$ c. | \$ c. | \$ c. | \$ c. | \$ c. | \$ c. | \$ c. | |
| 1 | Thos. Scott.. | ..... | P. 25 | P. 25 | A. 50 | P. 50 | P. 25 | 3 00 | 25 | |
| 2 | John Fox.... | 0 75 | A. | P. 1 00 | P. 50 | P. 25 | P. | 2 25 | .... |  |
| 3 | Robert Jones | ..... | P. 25 | A. | P. 50 | P. .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| 4 | H. Edwards.. | ..... | P. | P. | P. 75 | A. .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| 5 | Robt. Knox.. | 1 00 | P. 1 25 | P. | A. | P. 50 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| 6 | Lewis Perry. | 25 | A. | P. 75 | P. | A. .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| | | | 1 75 | 2 00 | 1 75 | 1 25 | 25 | | | |

The above is the Form for keeping Private Lodge Books, showing when any Member paid anything, as also his attendance, which is marked P. when present, and A. when absent; it also shows the amount paid to Treasurer every night for Lodge dues. Said form to be extended to twelve months, and when a Lodge meets regularly twice or oftener per month, then as many additional columns as may be necessary are to be added under each month.

month. ... annual columns as may be necessary are to be added under each

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If Lodges prefer it, the following Form may be used :

| Number. | Name and Office Occupat'n | January. | | | | February. | | | | March. | | | | December. | | | | Total | Remarks. | |
|---------|---------------------------|----------|----|------|------|-----------|------|------|------|--------|----|------|------|-----------|------|------|------|-------|----------|----|
| | | Due | | Paid | | Due | | Paid | | Due | | Paid | | Due | | Paid | | | | |
| | | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | \$ | c. | | | |
| 1 | John Brown... | 1 | 50 | 1 | 00 | 75 | A. | 1 | 00 | 1 | 00 | 50 | A. | 25 | A. | 3 | 00 | .... | 25 | |
| 2 | William Fox... | 50 | 75 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 25 | 25 | 75 | 75 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| 3 | James Scott... | 25 | A. | .... | .... | 50 | .... | .... | .... | 75 | 75 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| 4 | Joseph Burns.. | 2 | 00 | P. | .... | 2 | 25 | 2 | 00 | 50 | A. | .... | .... | 1 | 00 | 2 | 00 | 1 | 00 | |
| | | 4 | 25 | 1 | 75 | 3 | 50 | 2 | 00 | 2 | 50 | 2 | 00 | 1 | 75 | 50 | 10 | 75 | 1 | 25 |

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR INITIATION.**L. O. A., B. A.***To the Worshipful Master of Loyal Orange Lodge No...*

SIR,—It is my wish and desire to become a Member of Loyal Orange Association by joining your Lodge No. . . . I herewith enclose my fee of admission, and am vouched for by two Members of your Lodge.

Vouched for by, Proposer.

" ", Seconder.

Signature,

Residence,

Age,

Profession or Occupation,

Religious Denomination,

[Date,] Where born,

[NOTE.—The fee in all cases to accompany the application.]

FORM OF APPLICATION WITH CERTIFICATE.**L. O. A., B. A.***To the Worshipful Master of L. O. L., No....*

SIR AND BROTHER,—It is my wish and desire to become a Member of your Lodge, No.... I herewith deposit my Certificate, assigning to your Lodge all claims thereto. I enclose admission fee and am willing to be governed by the By-laws of your Lodge.

Signature,

Age,

Dated at Residence,

this . . . day of 18.. Occupation,

Where born,

QUESTIONS

AFFECTING THE INTERPRETATION OF THE CONSTITUTION, ANSWERED BY THE M. W. GRAND MASTER.

"When the Grand Lodge is not in Session, the affairs of the Institution shall be directed by the Grand Master and Sovereign, who is the head, whose designation shall be 'Most Worshipful.' Whenever his judgment may be given, it shall be given in writing, and must be acted upon until reversed by the Grand Lodge."—Rule 22 of the Constitution.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1870, page 22.)

By Brother Keyes, Grand Secretary of Ontario West.—Whether when a Lodge becomes dormant, and the Warrant comes into the possession of the County Master, can it be re-issued by the County Master to other parties, and to another part of the County, without charge?

Answer.—When a Warrant becomes dormant, and is called in by the County Master, it no longer belongs to the County, but should be sent to the proper Grand Officer as soon as possible.

By Brother Rev. James Norris.—Whether it is constitutional, or according to usage, to have a Degree Lodge, established in connection with any Lodges, where Degrees are conferred on Members of different Lodges, without a request or Certificate from the Master or Masters of the Lodges to which the Candidate belongs?

Answer.—By referring to Rule 153, it will be seen that no degree can be given except in the Lodge of which the Brother is a member, except "on the certificate of the Master of his own Lodge." Parties who violate this Rule are subject to suspension or expulsion. See Rule 56.

By Bro. Shier.—Whether when a Brother is summoned from his own Lodge as a witness, to attend a trial of Brethren in another Lodge, is he in duty bound to attend on

such summons ; and if so, under what rule, and in what Lodge he may be tried, and what penalty would such a Brother be guilty of if he did not attend on such summons.

Answer.—Rule 172 provides for the case.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1871, page 48.)

By Bro. A. B. Anderson. District Master, Norwood.—Whether by a vote of the District, Private Lodges can be placed at the head of a procession irrespective of number ?

Answer.—Lodges take precedence according to the date of their Warrants ; and a District Lodge cannot deprive a Lodge of such right except by consent.

By Bro. George Shier.—Has a County Master, District Master, Master of a Private Lodge, or a private member of a Lodge, a right to hold the Lectures of the various Degrees, from the Orange to the Royal Scarlet ?

Answer.—Yes, if they are held in his memory. No, if they are written, or in any way committed to paper.

By Bro. Jos. Doupe.—Whether a County Master and Grand Officer who was Master of a Private Lodge when such Private Lodge became dormant several years ago, said Private Lodge was since resuscitated and sent to a different County, where it has now been at work for two or more years ; and at last meeting of the District Lodge where said Private Lodge formerly worked, said County Master and Grand Officer who now belongs to another Lodge, was allowed by ruling of the District Master to take part in proceedings of the District Lodge as Last Past Master of said Private Lodge now at work in a different County. Was District Master's ruling constitutional ?

Answer.—If the Lodge was declared dormant, sent in to the Grand Secretary and re-issued, the ruling was wrong, because the Lodge was to all intents and purposes a new one. If the Warrant was never returned, but improperly transferred to another County, then resuscitation was illegal, and the Last Past Master could have no vote, because the Lodge would be illegally at work.

By Bro. Jos. Doupe.—Does Rule 156 prohibit the introduction of intoxicating liquors into a Lodge Room or its use as a

beverly therein by members on the night of meeting after the Lodge has been closed ?

Answer.—Yes.

By Bro. Jos. Doupe.—Does that Rule hold if the Lodge be held in a Private House ?

Answer.—Yes.

By Bro. Jos. Doupe.—When repeated violations of the first and second parts of that Rule have been clearly proven, can these several repeated violations be classed as only *one offence*, or is it an offence for every time the violation is proven ?

Answer.—They are separate and distinct.

By Bro. Doupe.—Is it lawful for a District or County Lodge to inflict a penalty different from that set forth in the Constitution, where a specified penalty is laid down for a specified offence, clearly proven ?

Answer.—No.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1872, page 35.)

By Bro. Thos. Woods, Grand Secretary, Newfoundland.—Is it allowed to W. Masters or other Members of Private Lodges to speak and vote in the P. G. Lodge, when such Private Lodge fails to send in the Annual Return in such manner and at such time as the Constitution requires ?

Answer.—No.

By Bro. Thomas Woods, Grand Secretary, Newfoundland.—Should such W. Master, or Members of Private Lodges, as above referred to being Officers or Committee men of the P. G. Lodge, would they, in virtue of their office in the P. G. Lodge, be entitled to vote or speak.

Answer.—No.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1873.)

By Bro. John McKenna.—Is the Scarlet Chapter the property of any particular Lodge in the District ? Or may the District Master hold a Session of the Scarlet Chapter at any convenient place in the District ?

Answer.—The Scarlet Dispensation of a District belongs to the District Lodge only, and can be opened by the proper officer, at the regular time, at any convenient place within the District.

By Bro. John McKenna.—In case a Brother be expelled from the Royal Scarlet Degree, does he lose all his connection with the Order.

Answer.—Yes.

By Bro. Breadner.—Does a Brother who has been suspended or expelled by a Private or inferior Lodge, and appeals from said sentence, still hold his standing in the Order until the appeal be decided; or, is the sentence to be carried out until reversed?

Answer.—A Brother suspended or expelled from a Private Lodge remains so, until such suspension or expulsion shall have been reversed by a superior Lodge.

By Bro. Botterel.—In granting a certificate to an old country member, having the R. A. P. degree, which is the proper way of filling in same with regard to intermediate degrees?

Answer.—If he has the intermediate degrees, name them in the Certificate. If not, state the facts.

By Bro. Rev. J. Norris.—Should a Dispensation be obtained by Brethren who have not obtained nor hold Scarlet Certificates from any Scarlet Chapter be regarded as working constitutionally?

Answer.—No.

By Bro. John McKenna.—Can a Brother living in Hamilton and his Certificate lying in a Lodge in Toronto, be raised to the Degree of the Royal Scarlet in Hamilton?

Answer.—Not unless he obtains permission in writing from the Worshipful Companion in Command of the Chapter in Toronto.

By Bro. John McKenna.—

1st. What is meant by the word *decoration* in Article No. 46?

Answer.—The Regalia which a Brother is entitled to wear.

2d. What is considered appropriate Regalia in Article 47?

Answer.—Regalia which a Brother has a right to wear.

3d. What penalty should be attached to violation of Clause 10 of the Rules of Order?

Answer.—He should be stopped speaking, and if he refuses, proceed under Rule 27, page 24.

4th. In Clause 23, Rules of Order, what is meant by Regalia suitable to his rank and station?

Answer.—The Regalia which he is entitled to wear.

5th. In Article No. 106 does it mean an officer committing an offence in his official capacity or as a private member?

Answer.—In his official capacity. See Rule 52.

6th. In Article 119. In case a Private Lodge adopts resolutions and proceeds to carry them out, and they are contrary to the Constitution, what will be the proper and most effective measures to be taken to stop those resolutions from being carried out?

Answer.—The bringing of the Master of the Lodge before the County Lodge, and if that does not succeed, suspend the Warrant and report to the Right Worshipful Grand Master.

7th. In Article 146 does admission mean by Certificate as well as by Initiation?

Answer.—Only by Initiation.

By Bro. Breadner, D. G. M., Province of Quebec.—Is the Certificate, referred to on page 19 of the Rules for the guidance of Royal Scarlet Chapter, the Certificate signed by the Sovereign, or merely a Certificate from a Chapter to enable a Companion to join another Chapter, he retaining the Certificate signed by the Sovereign, as laid down in the resolution passed at the meeting of the Grand Lodge, held in Toronto in 1869?

Answer.—It applies to the Certificate which is granted by one Chapter to enable a Companion to join another Chapter. The Certificate signed by the Sovereign is retained by the Companion as his private property.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1875, page 53.)

By Bro. Beckwith, G. M., of New Brunswick.—Do Sections 81 and 58 of the Constitution authorize Provincial and minor Lodges to make rules for the meeting of Lodges more frequently than once a month?

Answer.—There is no provision in the Constitution preventing the Members of any Lodge adopting Rules providing for meetings more frequently than once a month, hence it would not be inconsistent with Rules 81 and 58, to adopt rules providing for such meetings. Section 158 also gives power to a Master to call emergency meetings.

By Bro. J. B. McWilliams —Is it contrary to Section No 56 of the Constitution, for the Master of a Private Lodge to call upon the County Master, District Master, or any Brother qualified to give Degrees?

Answer.—A Master may call to his assistance a District or County Master, who, by virtue of their offices, may assist him in conferring Degrees, but this privilege cannot be extended to private members,

By Bro. Joshua Breadner, P. G. M., Province of Quebec.—Have County and District Masters the right and authority to call meetings of emergency of their respective Lodges, when they think it desirable, after giving due notice to the Members thereof?

Answer.—Yes.

By Bro Beckwith, G. M., New Brunswick.—The Provincial Grand Lodge of New Brunswick desires to have the following questions answered: If a Provincial Grand Secretary be succeeded at one election of officers by another being elected, is such Last Past Provincial Grand Secretary entitled to sit and vote as such Last Past Provincial Grand Secretary at their next ensuing Session of such Provincial Grand Lodge? If so, at what time do the rights of such Last Past Provincial Grand Secretary to sit and vote as aforesaid, cease? See 12 and 83, Constitution?

Answer.—If A be Provincial Grand Secretary, and is succeeded by B, A is the Last Past Provincial Grand Secretary, and as such is entitled to sit and vote in the Provincial

Grand Lodge, and continues entitled to all the rights and privileges of such Last Past Provincial Grand Secretary until B shall have been succeeded by another Brother in the office of Provincial Grand Secretary.

By Bro. Lucas.—Is it legal to work under a Warrant if the Master be expelled ?

Answer.—Yes. The expulsion of the Master does not render the Warrant illegal, for the Deputy Master becomes Master at once by virtue of his office.

By Bro. A. Dawson, G. C.—Can a Lodge be regarded as legal, whose Master to whom the Warrant was granted, had not and has not obtained his Certificate from the Lodge to which he formerly belonged ?

Answer.—No. The Warrant should not have been issued to a Brother who never received his Certificate, and the District and County Masters who recommended its issue, failed in their duty. The Warrant need not be called in, but they should at once elect a Master from among the Brethren who are legally in connection with the Lodge.

By Bro. Robert Birmingham, District Secretary of Toronto. Is the decision of a Private Lodge not final until reversed by a higher Lodge, even when an appeal is made ?

Answer.—Yes, until set aside by a higher power, under appeal.

Is the decision of a District Lodge not final until reversed by a higher Lodge, even when an appeal is entered ?

Answer.—Yes, until set aside under an appeal ; that is, if it be a case in which the decision of the District Lodge has been *only* sought.

What is the proper course to pursue if a Private Lodge refuses to abide by the decision of the District ?

Answer.—A Private Lodge is not obliged to abide by the decision of a District Lodge, if that decision be given in the case of an appeal against the action of a Private Lodge, until the decision of the District Lodge shall have been sustained by all the higher Lodges ; i. e., if the Private Lodge appeals against such decision. If it does not appeal, then it

must abide by the decision of the District, or subject itself to be struck off the roll, and have the Warrant cancelled.

Is the decision of a District Lodge not final until reversed by a higher Lodge, even if the whole of the Private Lodge enter an appeal, if the case has been properly tried ?

Answer.—No. Not if the decision of the District Lodge has been given in the case of an appeal from a judgment of the Private Lodge. The decision and sentence of the Private Lodge remain in full force and effect until set aside by the highest Lodge to which it has been appealed. If, however, the decision be an original one, not based upon an appeal, it is final until reversed by a higher Lodge.

By the Rev. A. Dawson.—Has an officer of a Private Lodge the right to sit and vote in a District Lodge, when the Grand Lodge Return, and all legal dues are not paid ? If so, does the same rule apply to County Lodge ?

Answer.—No officer of a Private Lodge has a right to sit and vote in a District or County Lodge unless the Grand Lodge Return shall have been made, and all legal dues paid, nor can any officer of a District Lodge sit and vote in a County Lodge unless the District Return be made and the dues received and paid.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1877, page 108.)

By Bro. R. K. Brace, Master L. O. L. No. 1446, Summerside, Prince Edward Island.—Can a Lodge raise initiation fees to the Orange and Royal Arch Purple Degrees ?

Answer.—No. Such action on the part of a Private Lodge would be unconstitutional. See Rule 155.

By Bro. James Evans, District Master, Port Hope.—There have lately been in this District five Lodges, but as two of them were rather weakly, it was felt advisable that the members of one should unite with the other, and make one good one. Accordingly, 309 agreed if 532 would join them that the present officers would resign, after the Certificates of the members of 532 had been deposited, and then unitedly elect officers. Can they do so, and under what rule ?

Answer.—Yes; if all resign, and their resignation be accepted by the Lodge, then it can proceed to elect new officers.

2d. After all the Certificates except five have been granted by 532, can those remaining surrender to the District their Warrant; and, having expressed a wish to that effect, can the District Lodge declare the L. O. L. No. 532 dormant, and grant District Certificates as provided by Constitution?

Answer.—Yes, provided Rules 128 and 129 are complied with.

3d. Can any matter be brought forward at any Emergent Meeting of any Lodge, other than that stated in the summons?

Answer.—No.

By Bro. Daniel Callaghan, Secretary, *pro tem.*, L. O. L. No. 1332.—At the Regular Monthly Meeting of L. O. L. No. 1332, held last night (18th May, 1877), the following resolution was adopted, and I was instructed to submit it to you for approval: "*Resolved*, That the Regular Meetings of this Lodge be held quarterly, namely; on the third Thursday in the months of March, June, September, and December, in each year; all other meetings to be styled 'Meetings of Emergency,' to be convened as hitherto, namely: by a general summons, stating the business to be transacted." I may state that the resolution was passed unanimously by the Lodge, after due notice having been given at previous Regular Meetings, and that no objections to it whatever had been made by any one; but it was passed, subject to your approval, and, if in your opinion, it conflicts with the Constitution, we will rescind it at the next Regular Meeting.

Answer.—I am of opinion that such a resolution does conflict with the Constitution. By reference to Rules 136, 137, 163, and 170, it will be seen that whenever meetings of Private Lodges are referred to, they are designated "Monthly Meetings;" and it will be seen also, that if a Lodge met only once in every three months, the provisions in the Rules to which I have referred could not be complied with.

I Bro. James Evans, District Master, Port Hope.—In P. 145, after the word "admission," would you supply in the Order or into a Lodge; i. e., can a Certificate be

immediately received on the night of presentation, and the Brother at once be enrolled as a member, per Rule 145.

Answer—Rule 145 applies exclusively to the admission of persons who are not members of the Order; and Rule 149 to the admission of Brethren into a Lodge by Certificate. A Brother's Certificate can be accepted the night upon which it is presented, and be admitted to full membership.

2d. Does word "meeting" in 145 mean Regular or Special, or both?

Answer.—The words "subsequent one" must be interpreted to mean a Regular Meeting.

3d. A Brother is suspended for two years, or any *stated time*, "for non-payment of dues." Can the Lodge exact from him at expiration of time the dues which stood against him at time of suspension; or does the penalty inflicted pay the dues?

Answer.—The penalty is supposed to pay the dues. If a Lodge desires to avoid this result, the suspension should be "until dues are paid."

By Bro. Geo. Bell, County Master, North Leeds.—Is it constitutional to allow Proxies for District or Private Lodge Officers to vote at County Lodge Meetings?

Answer.—No; there is no provision in the Constitution for the appointment of Proxies to sit and vote in County Lodges.

By Bro. D. Callahan, District Master, Kingston.—May a Brother, who is a member of a Private Lodge in the District in which he resides, withdraw his Certificate from such Lodge and join a Lodge in another District in which he does not, nor intend to reside?

Answer.—There is nothing in the Constitution to prevent a Certificated Brother joining any Lodge he pleases. Rule 144 applies to admissions to the Order, and not members joining by Certificate.

By Bro. Wm. Mackay, County Proxy, York, N. B., on behalf of R. W. Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.—Is it necessary for the Grand Lodge dues to be paid before the Private Lodge can be represented in a meeting of the County under whose jurisdiction it meets?

Answer.—Yes ; all proper and legitimate dues must be paid to entitle any Lodge to the right to be represented in a higher Lodge,

By Bro. F. M. Clarke, District Master, No. 1., South Hastings.—Who should sign the Annual Returns, the retiring or newly elected officers ?

Answer.—The Bros. in office at the time the Returns are made out ; and as they cannot be made until the close of the year, it would necessarily be the “newly elected officers.”

By Bro. G. Forde, County Master, Russell.—How will the ballot vote affect the number of nays, Rule 146 ? Will three Black Balls reject a man—even supposing that only seven or eight members be present in the Orange Lodge at the time ?

Answer.—The voting by ballot will not affect the Rule in any way, except in the manner of voting. Three Balls will reject under all circumstances.

By Bro. William Johnson, Deputy Grand Treasurer.—As the last clause in Rule 146 is *the only one* in the Constitution that states how voting shall take place, and as that clause has been altered from “*viva voce*” to “by ballot,” shall the election of officers be conducted by ballot also ?

Answer.—It has always been held that Rule 146 governed all questions that came before a Lodge upon which a vote had to be taken, though it clearly applies to the admission of candidates to the Order only ; and as there is no provision in the Constitution regulating the mode of voting, other than the one to which I have referred, voting upon the election of officers may be conducted as the Lodge may direct.

By Bro. James A. Boyd, Master L. O. L. No. 342.—If the District Lodge decide by a majority to march in the July procession, by the numbers of their Lodges, as formerly, has the presiding officer power to over-rule the vote of the District Lodge, and order the Lodges to march by the dates of their Warrants ?

Answer.—The District Lodge having no power to pass such a resolution, it being unconstitutional, the District Master would be justified in taking such a step.

2d. Has the District Master a right to refuse to put a motion to the District Lodge which would provide for the Lodges of the District to march in the July procession by the numbers of their Lodges ?

Answer.—Yes ; it is the duty of every Master to refuse to put to the Lodge any motion which conflicts with the Constitution, and as such a motion as the one referred to, the question would be illegal, the District Master was in duty bound to rule it out of order.

3d. Does Rule 76 of the Constitution refer to Lodges marching in procession, or only to the precedence among the Brethren ?

Answer.—It applies to both.

By Bro. W. H. McMahon, County Lambton.—James McIntosh was rejected in L. O. L. No. 516, and applied to L. O. L. 505, and was admitted into said Lodge 505, on the recommendation of the Master of Lodge 516, which Lodge had rejected him. A charge has been preferred against the Masters of 516 and 505. Is there ground for a charge, or what action should be taken ?

Answer.—If the Master of Lodge 505 was aware of the rejection of Mr. McIntosh by Lodge 516, he is equally culpable with the Master of 516, who clearly overstepped his duty, and should be proceeded against under Rule 147. I also refer you to Rules 144 and 148.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1878, page 98.)

Q.—By Bro. Murley, W. M. No. 11, Kingston. Can a member of an O. Y. B. Lodge, who has been expelled or suspended from the Orange Order, remain in membership in an Orange Young Briton Lodge ?

A.—That depends upon the Rules of the Orange Young Briton Lodge. He ought not.

Q.—By Bro. H. A. L. White, County Master, South Perth. One of the rules of the Royal Scarlet Chapter is, that the Chapter shall open on the 14th and close on the 21st. Now I wish to know if the Companions must meet in Chapter for the purpose of closing it, or if the District Master can close it himself ?

A.—The Companions should meet to close the Chapter, but if they do not it closes of itself.

Q.—By Bro. R. K. Brace, Summerside, P. E. Island. A Brother attends Provincial Grand Lodge as a Proxy, and enters his name and takes his seat, and when business is partly over, the W. Master of same Private Lodge enters, registers his name and takes his seat also. The Brother

representing the Lodge as Proxy is nominated as Sec'y of Grand Lodge; the Grand Master refuses to accept nomination when W. Master is present; the W. M. accordingly retires. Brother is nominated and elected, and the Prov'l Grand Master declares it to be constitutional. Was he right?

A.—Yes.

Q.—By Bro. E. F. Clarke. If a Private Lodge, two years ago, granted certificate to a member and member did not get it, can present officers carry out that resolution and give certificate?

A.—If applicant has complied with Constitution at the time, certificate should not have been withheld for over a month, provided there be no reason for withholding it, and present officers should give certificate. Officers of a Private Lodge should discharge their duties respectively while in office. The member should not suffer for neglect of Lodge; always remembering that if the applicant continue paying dues thereafter, that fact rescinds the order for certificate. See Constitution, clause 163.

Q.—By Bro. George Sherrett. Is a Brother Orangeman according to his obligation, bound to support another Brother who may come forward as a candidate for the House of Commons?

A.—Politics are not recognized in the Orange Association. All things being equal an Orangeman should be supported by his brethren. If being an Orangeman does not strengthen the ties between man and man, then a very important element is wanting in the Association. In such cases every Brother must be guided by his own sense of duty to his country.

Q.—By Bro. J. Cromar. Must the six applicants for an Orange Warrant be members of the Order?

A.—Yes. See clause 42, Constitution; also clause 138, five of whom must have the Royal Arch Degree.

Q.—Can persons not members of the Order be applicants for charter, be there and then initiated, and get these degrees for a less sum than provided for in the Constitution?

A.—No.

Q.—Can they receive more than one degree at a time, or must three months elapse between each degree?

A.—The time limit must be observed in all cases. Dispensation may be granted by Grand Master.

Q.—By Bro. James A. Walker, W. Master of No. 327.—When a member has withdrawn by certificate, is it lawful to admit him when you are aware that he is not connected with any Lodge, and still holds his Certificate, even when he is in possession of the Annual and Check Words?

A.—No. See Rule 150.

Q.—What is meant in section No. 151 of Private Lodges by an honorary member, upon such terms as the Lodge may direct?

A.—Under Rule 151, a Lodge may by resolution make a member for life without paying dues on payment of a certain sum down, which would constitute him an "honorary member."

Q.—Does section 148 mean that a person applying to two or more Lodges for admission is to be rejected altogether?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Can a Lodge grant a Certificate for the dead?

A.—No.

Q.—Can members of a Lodge nominate any Brother, who has not the necessary degrees, for Master, and at once give him one or more degrees, and install him in the Master's chair, when there are members present who have the necessary degrees but object to accept the office?

A.—No; the giving of Degrees under the circumstances would be a violation of Rules.

Q.—Can a County, District or Private Lodge vote by ballot for their officers, or pass a By-law to that effect?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What is the right course to pursue when a Brother enters a Lodge in a state of intoxication, and the Master of the said Lodge requests him to withdraw, at the same time telling him the reason, and the said Brother uses profane language, and says he will not go until he gets ready, and threatens to not allow him the use of the Lodge Room, it being on his premises for twenty-one years, and never having given a deed or lease for the land it stands on. A motion was then moved by the members of said Lodge that he remain in open Lodge, when it was carried, all voting for the same. The Brother is in debt to said Lodge to the amount of \$10 also, and refuses to pay the same?

4.—If he enters the Lodge room drunk, he should be fined. See Rule 177. If he becomes abusive he should be summoned before the Committee of the Lodge and punished. If he refuses to pay his dues, he should be tried and suspended. The fact that the Lodge stands on his property gives him no more power than if it were not. Steps should be taken to secure deeds before Lodges are built.

Q.—By Bro. Daniel Callaghan, District Master No. 1 District, Kingston. At the request of leading Orangemen of this District, I have, on two occasions since last February, held a "District Lodge of Instruction," for the purpose of exemplifying the work of the first four degrees of the Order, and securing uniformity in the working of the Lodges in my district.

My mode of procedure is as follows: I direct the District Secretary to issue notices to the members calling a meeting of the District Lodge.

I make it a point to see the Master of at least one Private Lodge,—say for example No. 352—and request him to have a *quorum* of his Lodge present on the occasion, and, if he should have a candidate for initiation—one who has been regularly proposed, balloted for and accepted at previous meetings of his Lodge—I ask him to have such candidate in waiting at the "Lodge of Instruction" for the purpose of being initiated.

The time for holding the "Lodge of Instruction" having arrived, I open the District Lodge, a quorum being present, in order that a record may be made in the District Minute Book. I then *adjourn* the District Lodge.

A quorum of Private Lodge No. 352 being present, I ask the Master thereof to allow me to open his Lodge as the "Lodge of Instruction," and to initiate his candidate. The Master grants his permission, produces his Warrant, and I open the Lodge and proceed with the initiation of the candidate, and the exemplification of the work of the Orange degree.

I then proceed to raise the Lodge and exemplify the work of the Purple, Royal Blue and Royal Arch Purple Mark degrees successively, and advance members thereto—if

there be any present for advancement—in accordance with rules 57, 153 and 154 of the Constitution, after which I close the Lodge down in the different degrees, resume the chair of the District Lodge and close it.

You will observe, first, that no *business* is transacted by the District Lodge, it being opened for no other purpose than that of recording in its minute book that Loyal Orange Lodge No. . . , as the case may be, was on such a date a "Lodge of Instruction," under the auspices of the District Lodge.

Secondly, that no candidate is initiated unless he has been regularly proposed, balloted for and accepted at previous meetings of the Private Lodge, which, for the time being, is constituted the "Lodge of Instruction."

Thirdly, that no member is advanced to higher degrees except in accordance with rules 57, 153 and 154 of the Constitution.

I have therefore respectfully to ask if a "Lodge of Instruction," conducted in such a manner as I have stated, conflicts with the Constitution; and in order that the matter may be in the fullest sense comprehensible, I have written my letter in duplicate, on one of which kindly write your decision and return to me.

A.—A Master of a Private Lodge, when calling a meeting of emergency, must notify all the members; it is not sufficient to simply notify a quorum.

An Orange Lodge cannot constitute itself into a Lodge of Instruction for a District, nor a District for an Orange Lodge. These powers and duties are separate and distinct.

A Master of a Private Lodge may call to his aid a District Master while conferring degrees, but in no case should he delegate *full control* of his Lodge to *another* he being present.

The procedure is therefore unconstitutional.

NOTE.—For full information regarding Regalia see page 78.

ORANGE YOUNG BRITONS.

Report upon the Organization of the Orange Young Britons adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, 4th June 1873.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge.—The Committee appointed to consider whether it is advisable to continue the organization of the Orange Young Britons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, after giving the subject their most careful consideration, have adopted the Preamble to the present Constitution, which is in the following words :

“Whereas, it is advisable to encourage the growth of Loyal Orange principles among the youth of this country, by the organization of Orange Young Briton Lodges under charters from the M. W. the Grand Lodge ;”

Therefore be it be resolved ;

That Warrants shall be issued for that purpose, subject to the following Rules and Regulations :

1st. All applications for Warrants to establish Young Briton Lodges, shall be made by not less than ten persons, enclosing six dollars, the fee for the Warrant, and setting forth the name of the person that is to be the master : and it shall be forwarded through the same officers as an application for a Warrant for a Private Orange Lodge.

2d. No candidate under fourteen years of age shall be admitted a Member of a Young Briton Lodge.

3d. Every District Orange Lodge having one or more Lodges of Orange Young Britons within its jurisdiction, shall on the occasion of any public procession of the Orange Association, assign a place therein for the Orange Young Britons, who shall march in the place so assigned them.

4th. When a Warrant is issued for holding a lodge of Orange Young Britons, the District Master shall have power to investigate all cases of irregularity which may come to his knowledge, and to correct the same in such way and manner as to him may seem meet, subject, however, to an appeal to the Grand Orange Lodge of British America.

5th. Any member of a Young Briton Lodge who shall feel himself aggrieved by the decision of the Lodge in any case, may appeal to the District Master, and either party who may feel aggrieved by the decision of the District Master, may appeal from his decision to the Provincial Grand Master. The procedure in such cases shall be the same as in cases of appeal in the Orange Association.

6th. All Orange Young Briton Lodges shall have power to divide themselves into Counties and Districts, with a Grand Lodge, and to make any By-laws, rules or regulations necessary for the good conduct and internal government of the Lodges, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Orange Lodge, or with those laws and regulations.

7th. No member of a Young Briton Lodge shall wear any regalia adopted by the Lodge, except in the Lodge Room, or in public procession with the Lodge.

8th. The designation, duties, terms of office, time of election, installation, and order of procedure in the Young Briton Lodges, shall be the same as in Private Lodges of the Orange Association.

9th. No meeting of a Young Briton Lodge shall be held in any room of any Hotel, Tavern, or Saloon, nor shall any intoxicating liquors be allowed in any Lodge Room, or be paid for out of the funds of any Young Briton Lodge.

10th. Any Orange Young Briton entering a Lodge Room in a state of intoxication shall be expelled, or otherwise dealt with as a majority of the Lodge may decide.

11th. Any Orange Young Briton becoming intoxicated, or in any other way misbehaving himself on the 12th day of July, or any other day, or occasion, when appearing in a public procession with the regalia, shall be expelled or otherwise dealt with as a majority of the Lodge may determine.

12th. The Master of every Orange District Lodge shall be *ex-officio*, the guardian of all Young Briton Lodges within his jurisdiction as District Master, but in addition to the District Master, every Orange Young Briton Lodge may elect annually a member of the Orange Association as the Junior Guardian of the Lodge.

13th. Not less than seven Members shall form a quorum for the transaction of business in a Young Briton Lodge.

14th. The Rules of the Grand Lodge of British America, as far as practicable, shall apply to, regulate and govern the conduct and proceedings of all Young Briton Lodges.

15th. Should any question arise in the conduct or government of any Young Briton Lodge, for which no special provision is made, the instruction of the Most Worshipful Grand Master shall be called for, and his decision final.

16th. Upon complaint being made to the Provincial Grand Master that any Young Briton Lodge within his jurisdiction is not conducted in accordance with the Constitution, it shall be his duty to investigate or to cause the complaint to be investigated by such person or persons, and in such manner as he shall deem proper, and if it shall be found correct, he shall report the facts to the M. W. the Grand Master, who shall forthwith cancel the Warrant, or give such other instructions in reference thereto as in his judgment may seem meet.

17th. A yearly password shall be adopted for the Orange Young Britons by the Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge, to adopt an annual, and promulgate it by sending it to the Grand Master of the Orange Young Britons, who shall send it to the guardians of Young Briton Lodges.

18th. A fee of \$1.00 per annum shall be paid by each Young Briton Lodge to the Grand Lodge of British America, and any Lodge in arrears of said annual fee shall not be entitled to receive the yearly password until such fees shall be paid.

All former constitutions for the organization of Orange Young Britons are hereby repealed and abolished.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OGLE R. GOWAN, Chairman.

EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

Adopted at the Session of the Most Worshipful Grand Orange Lodge of British America, in St. John, N. B., June 4th, 1878.

Your Committee have had under their consideration the petition of the Grand Lodge of Orange Young Britons which was referred to them, praying for some amendments to their Constitution, and after giving the subject their mature deliberation they recommend that the following amendments be made in the Constitution of the Orange Young Britons :—

1. That as soon as any member of a Young Briton Lodge arrives at the age of twenty-five years, his name shall be struck off the roll of such lodge.

2. That the names of all members at present in connection with the Young Briton Lodges who have arrived at the age of twenty-five years, shall, at the first regular meeting of their respective Lodges after the next annual meeting of the Young Briton Grand Lodge, be struck off the roll of such Lodges (unless that they have in the meantime withdrawn).

3. That any Young Briton Lodge which permits or suffers any member to remain in connection with such Lodge, in contravention of the foregoing provision, shall forfeit their charter and be deprived of all rights and privileges in connection with the Orange Association, and shall not be permitted to take part in any Orange Demonstration during the suspension of such Charter.

4. It shall be the duty of the County and District Masters of the Orange Association to report to the Most Worshipful Grand Master any violation of the foregoing provisions which may take place within their jurisdiction, and the Grand Master is hereby authorized and empowered, upon receipt of such report, and being satisfied of the correctness thereof, to cancel, annul, and forfeit the Charter of any such Young Briton Lodge, which Charter shall be forfeited until the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, unless in the meantime the Grand Master may have reason to believe that the Constitution will be observed in future, when he may in his discretion withdraw the order forfeiting such Warrant.

5. That the fee for an Orange Young Briton Warrant shall be six dollars, two dollars and fifty cents of which shall be paid by the Grand Secretary to the Orange Young Briton Grand Lodge.

6. Your Committee cannot recommend that the Young Briton Grand Lodge be empowered to confer Degrees, or to promulgate the Annual or any other password except those that are authorized by this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID MARSHALL.
W. J. PARKHILL.
GEO. H. PARKER.
WM. JOHNSON.
D. McLACHLAN.

COMMITTEE ROOMS,
St. John, N. B., June 4th, 1878.

(From the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1877, page 111.)

By Bro. Van Ingen, Grand Secretary, Ontario East.—Page 69, section 1st. Please definethis Rule, and say what channel the application for O. Y. B. Warrants must pass through, as the applications are made direct to the Grand Secretary of B. A. by the O. Y. B. Officers?

Answer.—Warrants to open an Orange Young Briton Lodge must, under Rule I, be made through the Orange District and County Masters in the District and County in which the Orange Young Briton Lodge is to be opened.

2d. Page 70, 4th and 5th sections,—Is it the Orange District Master that is meant in second line of section 4, and in the third line of section 5?

Answer.—The words "District Master" in the 4th and 5th sections of the Orange Young Briton's Constitution, page 70, means the Orange District Master, as the context clearly shows.

By Bro. Charles Gillen, District Grand Master of Orange Young Britons, County of Hastings—Is it constitutional for a Private O. Y. B. Lodge to organize an O. Y. B. Lodge in another County, provided there is a District O. Y. B. Lodge in same County?

Answer.—No,

REGALIA.

REPORT of Committee on Regalia adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, 2nd June, 1875.

BRETHREN,—Your Committee to whom was entrusted the vexed question of Regalia, beg leave to report: Your Committee think it a happy omen that *we* have been unanimous in coming to the following decision. Your Committee think that the time has fully come when this Grand Lodge should adopt a uniform Regalia; wanting this our processions fail to favorably impress the public, and the grotesque and ridiculous things often worn as Regalia make a laughing stock not only of those who wear them, but of the Association. We would not recommend that any *compulsory* measures be *immediately enforced* but that when any Lodge or individual buys new Regalia it shall be according to the following regulations:

To make a distinction between officers and private members, we recommend that officers wear Collars, and private members Sashes. That officers of Private Lodges shall wear Collars made of Orange Velvet, trimmed with Gold Lace, or Fringe, or both.

That members of Private Lodges having obtained the Orange Degree only shall wear an Orange Sash made of silk ribbon four inches wide, trimmed at end with Orange Silk Fringe or Gold Fringe.

That members having obtained the Blue, Purple and Arch Purple shall wear a Sash with Orange ground, and Blue or Purple Stripes in it, said Sash to be made of Ribbon four and a half inches wide, trimmed with Orange Silk Fringe or Gold Fringe at ends.

That members having the Scarlet shall wear a Scarlet Sash made of Ribbon four and a half inches wide, trimmed either with Scarlet Silk Fringe or Gold Fringe.

All these Sashes to be worn from left to right.

That officers shall wear on the right breast of their Collars jewels which shall be distinctive of their offices. The jewel to be worn by a Master being two Gavels crossed; by a

Deputy Master one Gavel ; by a Secretary two Pens crossed ; by a Treasurer two Keys ; by a Chaplain an open Bible ; by a Director of Ceremonies two Wands crossed ; by a Tyler two Swords crossed. These jewels to be made of Silver or Gold as preferred.

That officers of a District Lodge shall wear Collars made of dark blue velvet, trimmed with Gold Lace and Fringe.

That officers of a County Lodge shall wear Collars made of Purple Velvet, trimmed with Gold Lace and Fringe.

That officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge shall wear a Scarlet Velvet Collar, trimmed with Gold Fringe and Lace.

That officers of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge shall wear a Scarlet Velvet Collar, embroidered in Gold, the design of the embroidering being the Rose, Thistle, Shamrock and Maple Leaves entwined, richly trimmed with Gold Lace and Fringe.

That in the case of officers of the Provincial and Most Worshipful Grand Lodge the jewels shall be worn attached to a ribbon of Orange color worn around the neck.

That the wearing of Gowns, Badges, and all other numerous things at present worn be discontinued.

Your Committee in making these suggestions, think that by their adoption we will in a few years see the Orange Society with its tens of thousands of members, suitably clad, and presenting an appearance which will reflect credit on them and the influential Society they represent. We are encouraged in making these suggestions by the presence of brethren on our Committee representing five Provincial Grand Lodges, and from each of these we learn the growing and intense desire there is that your Grand Lodge should legislate on a subject so important.

The objection may be urged that all will not at once fall in with these views of your Committee ; this is no doubt true, and the work will be one of time. We think, however, that if these regulations be adopted Brethren getting new regalia will have these regulations to guide them and will adopt them.

J. BENNETT,
JOHN McCAUGHEY,
WM. JOHNSON,

M. MACMONAGLE,
WM. HEENEY,
JAMES B. DAVIS.

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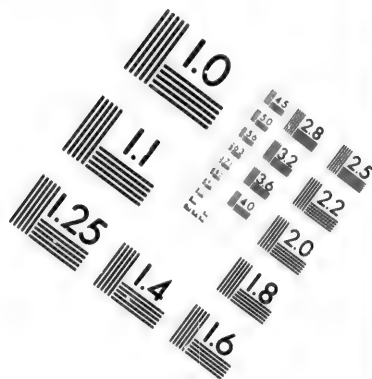
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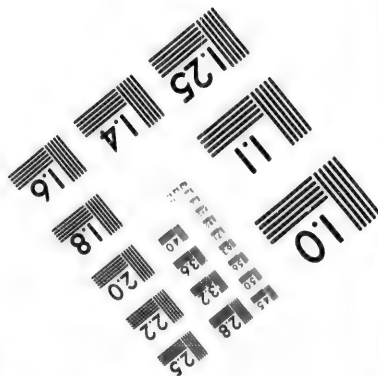
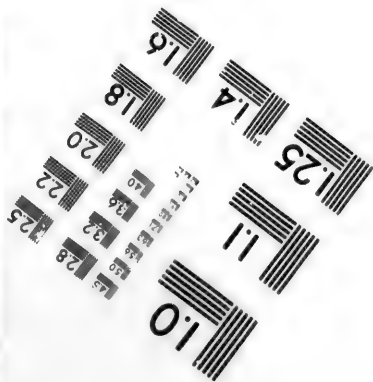
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